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Ross fakes degree, resigns

by Laurence M. Person

Jeffrey A. Ross, a respected and popular assistant professor of government, resigned his position after the college learned he had falsified his credentials.

Ross would have lost his job had he not completed his doctorate by last June 30. Faced with that deadline, he said in a prepared written statement, "I lied to the college and again to myself by announcing that I had indeed finished. Knowing that I could not meet the deadline, I hoped to retain my job while going on to finish as soon as possible.

"Things did not work out that way," Ross continued. "The truth was discovered and I felt it to be best to offer immediately to resign, effective the end of the semester, and quietly leave the college."

According to the *Faculty Handbook*, faculty members hired as assistant professors have a certain amount of time to complete their doctorate degree, if they have not already done so. In Ross' case (because he was a faculty member absorbed after the combination of Hamilton and Kirkland Colleges), he had from 1978 until June, 1981 to achieve his degree.

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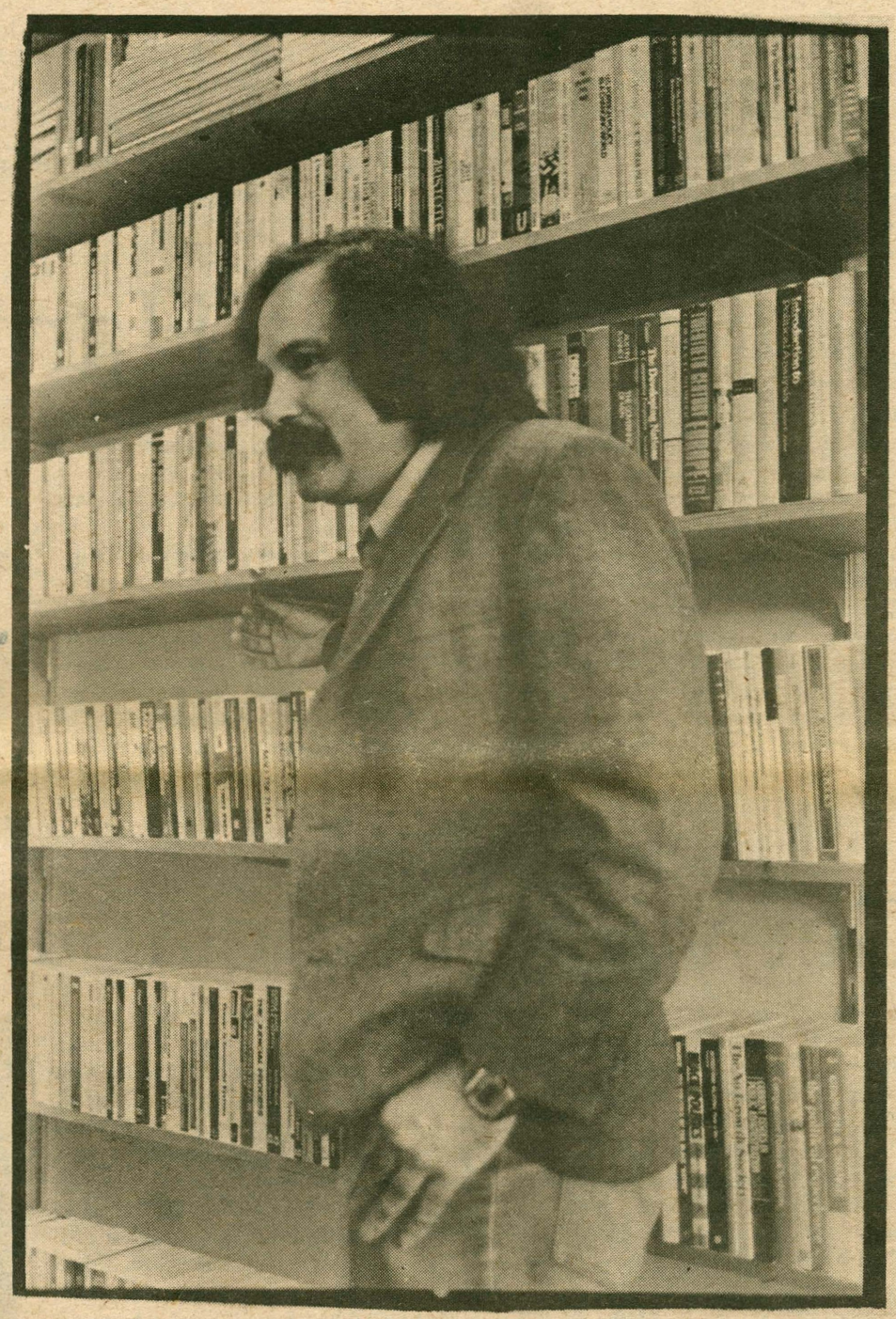
Ross said in his statement that when he was hired by Kirkland College in 1973, "I came with a large amount of data from a field of study that I had devised and conducted abroad." In 1974, he submitted a 750-page dissertation, which the thesis committee returned for revision. (Unlike the papers Hamilton undergraduates write, a typical doctoral thesis undergoes several evaluations and revisions by a thesis committee. The candidate works on the paper until it is the equivalent of an A paper. Once the committee is satisfied with the written thesis, the candidate undergoes an oral examination called a defense.

Then, in 1978 or 1979, Ross presented to the committee a 450-page version of his paper. "In preparing this document," he said, "I had closely followed all of the suggestions for revision I had previously received. (Indeed, all of the revised chapters that I had submitted along the way had been approved without substantive criticism.) In the meantime, however, the composition of my thesis committee had changed somewhat, and the new members demanded a series of further and far-reaching methodological changes. . . It was now to be back to the drawing board."

In the periods between drafts of his paper, unfortunately, Ross fell victim to a common student problem — procrastination. After the first submission, "what had been an intellectual adventure suddenly became a dreaded chore." After the committee returned the second draft, the predicament worsened. "At this point, I still had plenty of time to do the added revisions and retain my appointment at Hamilton," Ross wrote. "Unfortunately, my motivation to do so had been virtually shattered. I knew that I had to force myself to work on the thesis, but I always found ways of avoiding the task. I told myself the lie that of course I would get it done in time. . . . I was caught in a trap of my own making and the time came when I could not continue to be here without having completed my degree."

Ross leaves behind him a fine record. He scored consistently above average in the college-run survey distributed at the end of each semester. His *curriculum vita* includes a seven-page record of publication and participation in professional organizations and conferences.

Hamilton College President J. Martin Carovano, Dean of the College C. Duncan Rice, and Government Department Chair R. Peter Suttmeier would not comment about Ross' situation. Nor would professor John E. Turner of the University of Minnesota (where Ross was a doctoral candidate), Ross' thesis advisor, comment. *The Spectator*, however, confirmed, through a source at the University of Minnesota, that Ross never finished his doctorate. Such disclosure violated federal privacy laws.



After verifying the widespread rumors of Ross' plight, *The Spectator* contacted Ross last Thursday and received the written statement yesterday.

Ironically, Ross expects to complete his degree later this year.

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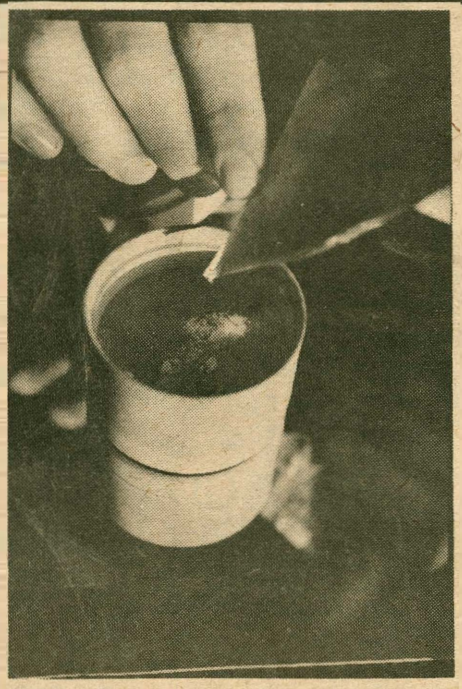

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News beyond College Hill

by Jon Magruder

Falkland Islands

The British lost a destroyer and at least one Harrier jet Wednesday as the Argentines retaliated for the sinking of their cruiser, the *General Belgrano*, sunk on Monday.

The *Sheffield,* a British missile-carrying destoyer, was sunk by missles fired by an Argentine fighter-bomber. There were 299 men on board the *Sheffield* when it was hit, and about 30 men were reported as missing after the ship was abandoned.

An Argentine cruiser, the *General Belgrano* was sunk by a British submarine the *Conqueror,* on Monday. The Argentine government announced that at least 680 survivors from the sinking have been picked up and that the search for the 362 others that were on board is continuing.

A British Harrier jet was reported shot down by Argentine ground fire during a raid on the main air strip in the Falkland Islands — the pilot was killed, according to a British spokesman.

Polish Demonstrations

The Polish military government moved swiftly to reimpose curfews, cut telephone service and impose other restrictions in selected regions in the wake of clashes Monday between demonstrators chanting support of the suspended Solidarity labor union, and heavily armed police.

The Military Council of National Salvation, the 21-member ruling body set up during the military takeover last December, met in emergency session under General Wojciech Jaruzelski before announcing the restrictions.

El Salvador

Under intense pressure from the armed forces, El Salvador's Constituent Assembley elected Alvaro Alfredo Magana, a political centrist, as provisional President of the country.

The election of Mr. Magana, which followed weeks of political infighting, came after party leaders agreed to increase the number of vice-presidents from one to three — one from each of the major political parties.

Mr. Magana, a 56-year-old lawyer who heads the country's largest mortgage bank, is not formally affiliated with any of the parties. He has close ties to the armed forces and was the military's first choice for the job. The military urged the selection of a moderate candidate because of its fear that the U.S. would cut off the major political aid if a far-rightist candidate were to be elected.

Voting Rights Act

A bipartisan group of Senators agreed on a compromise version of the Voting Rights Act that won the backing of the President on Monday. The broad-based support for the compromise virtually assured passage of an updated version of the measure, which was enacted in 1965.

Senator Bob Dole, Republican of Kansas, the main author of the compromise, had urged the White House to back his proposal as a way of strengthening Republican credibility among blacks and Hispanic-Americans.

The amendment is aimed at averting a stalemate by defusing the charge that the House-passed version of the bill would lead to proportional representatiaon based on race.

Maverick Budget Plan

Defying President Reagan, Senator Peter Domenici, chairman of the Budget Committee, proposed a far-reaching budget compromise that included a one-year freeze on Social Security benefits and most social programs and a three-year tax increase of $125 billion.

Further, Mr. Domenici told his committee at a budget-drafting session, "I do not rule out a freeze on the third year of the scheduled tax cut, if that is the final element that a compromise of this magnitude hinges upon."

The plan won broad-based support from committee Republicans, but some Democrats contended that it was weighted against the poor.

The President and Congressional leaders have publicly opposed changes in Social Security benefits, despite private negotiations, and Domenici's one-year eliminations of the cost-of-living increases is considered highly unlikely to pass this year.

Amherst tops Hamilton's cost

by Jonathan Magruder

Anti-nuke rally at Amherst

Approximately 150 Amherst College students took part in a demonstration billed is "a celebration of life and hope." It was part of the observance of Ground Zero Week which protested the nuclear arms race, according to the *Amherst Student*.

Chanting "the people united will never be defeated," and carrying a sign that proclaimed "Brahms, not bombs," the students marched around the Amherst campus and attended a rally with more than 500 others.

Following the rally, balloons with "Freeze Now" slogans were released with attached cards explaining that, in the event of a nuclear attack on the town of Amherst, radioactive fallout would travel the distance of the balloons.

Oswego Ed. School loses accreditation

SUNY Oswego's education departments have lost their accreditation with the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education after appeal attempts were rejected, according to the *Oswegonian News*.

NCATE has cited weaknesses in four of 28 standards necessary for accreditation as its reason for withdrawing accreditation, which Oswego had had since 1954. The four standards in which Oswego was deemed lacking were use of guidelines set by national learned societies, exposure of students to different cultures, studies of graduates, and use of graduates' evaluations in improving the programs.

The education departments are still certified by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Universities and with the state education department.

And you thought Hamilton was expensive

Tuition at Amherst College will be $10,900 next year, a $1100 increase over the current tuition charge, according to the *Amherst Student*.

Over 40 percent of the full cost of an Amherst education continues to be supported by college endowments, gifts and grants, but students will now assume a greater proportion of the cost than in previous years.

Amherst College President, Julian Gibbs, assured parents in a letter informing them of the increase, that "the budget includes what we believe to be fully adequate provisions for financial aid for those families who demonstrate the need of assistance."

Get your financial aid forms together

by Robert J. Brown

Kenneth P. Kogut, director of student financial aid, reminds Hamilton College students to know what they must do to receive financial aid next year.

First, any upper classmen must have filed a Hamilton College application for student aid and must have designated Hamilton as a recepient of the College Scholarship Service's financial aid form in order to be eligible for aid consideration.

Speaking about the packaging of aid, Kogut was sure that upperclassmen will not see any college award letters until at least late June. Citing the federal government's inability to set standards for the Pell Grant and Guaranteed Student Loan Programs, the director indicated that his "hands are pretty much tied" until such standards are in place.

Kogut's immediate advice to anyone seeking aid for the coming year consists of the following: first, apply for a Guaranteed Student Loan of the amount you will need to borrow, and second, be prepared to earn $1100 towards the cost of your education this summer. The director emphasized that most students should expect to borrow $2500 and that if, after packaging, a small loan is called for, it will be possible for the student to reduce the amount of the loan through the local lending institution. Kogut further voiced the opinion that a "needs test" would probably be enacted for those students seeking a loan with family incomes in excess of $30,000.

For students who earn less than the called for $1100 this summer, Kogut said a consideration to adjust their packages would occur, but not until later in the year.

Thus the outlook for student aid appears to have changed very little. Aside from increased loans as a percentage of the total aid package and the closing of a loophole that has in the past allowed families of any income to obtain Guaranteed Student Loans, much has remained the same. Still, one cannot help but wonder how long the college can continue to raise the total cost of a Hamilton education without eventually squeezing the college out of the price range of the average American family.

Ken Kogut, director of financial aid.

HOME STYLE COOKING

The Theta Delta Chi meal plan is open to all interested men and women. Contact Jonathan Miller at x7265.

TDX: A viable eating alternative

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Pattir discusses Mideast peace

by Tom Griggs

Donald Pattir, former press secretary to Israeli prime ministers Yitzhak Rabin and Menachem Begin, spoke before a sparse crowd at the chapel on Thursday. His speech focused on the future of the Mideast peace process and the Camp David peace accords.

The peace process was begun four years ago. According to Pattir, however, the American media created a popular conception that the process had ended because it did not yield all of the desired results immediately. Pattir believes that the process rests on solid ground for three reasons. First, the Camp David accords marked a departure from military confrontation and a move into the diplomatic arena. Second, for the first time since 1949, Egypt and Israel have met at the negotiating table. Third, Egypt and Israel both realize that it is in their best national interests to pursue the peace process.

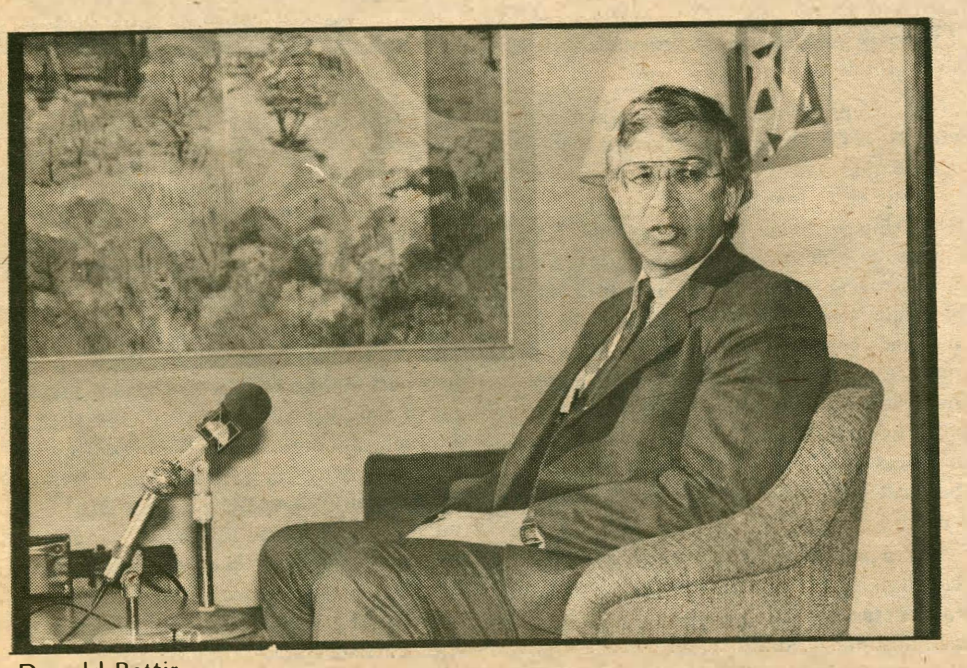
Pattir believes that, despite the problems raised because of the Palestinian issue and the assassination of Anwar Sadat, the peace process has been secured. Egyptian President Hooshi Mubarak sees the merits of the treaty and the benefits to Egypt's national interests, and he is determined to see the treaty through the process. In addition, the Camp David accords exceeded the expectations of most observers. Many difficulties were overcome and an agreement was worked out. However, many difficulties also lie ahead.

Pattir also believes that a vocal majority supports the peace process, although he sees a problem in what he terms the "rejectionist front," composed of the Soviet Union, the Palestinian Liberation Army, Syria, Iraq, Algeria, and Libya. However, Pattir questions whether this front can overcome their own problems and pose a threat to the peace process.

The Egyptian military establishment, Pattir claimed, is the primary supporter of the process, while it is the intelligentsia and the bureaucracy that are opposed to the treaty. He feels that psychological problems must be overcome, including the Israeli withdrawal from the Sinai which Pattir called a painful but necessary action.

Mubarak's move towards a reconciliation with the Arab world or its return to a non-aligned status will not endanger Israel, Pattir stated. He called for a moderation of the PLO platform and stressed that there is a difference between the PLO and the Palestinian people.

Other variables in the peace process are the positions of Saudi Arabia, Jordan, and the rejectionist front. The final and most important variable, according to Pattir, is the position of the United States. The US urged a continuation of the peace process, and it was their participation which was an indication of support and an offsetting influence to adverse elements. Pattir stressed, hwoever, that clear, open support is still needed. Currently, the US position is not clear and, until the US reaffirms its support, the peace process will remain troubled.



Donald Pattir

Endy replaced

Jane Lise Jervis was selected as the new Dean of Students this week, succeeding Melvin Endy. Peter J. Millet was named to succeed Carol Rupprecht as Associate Dean of Students.

Jervis is presently Dean of Davenport College in New Haven, Connecticut and is a lecturer in history of science at Yale University. She graduated from Radcliffe in 1959 with an A.B. in physical sciences. She earned an M.A. in history of science and medicine at Yate University in 1974 and in 1975 earned an M.Phil degree in the same discipline. She received her Ph.D. from Yale in 1978.

Jervis previously worked for the Raytheon Company in Wayland, Massachusetts as a technical writer and editor and was a lecturer at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, New York.

Among her duties of Dean of Davenport College, Jervis has regulated the school's academic program, administered faculty advising and college seminar programs, and supervised housing for students. She has provided academic, personal, and career counseling for students and has served on various college committees.

Millet came to Hamilton in 1968 and is now a professor of physics under the Litchfield Endowment. He graduated with a B.S. from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and received his M.S. and Ph.D. from Syracuse University.

'Braire rules battle noise, trash

by Allison Duncan

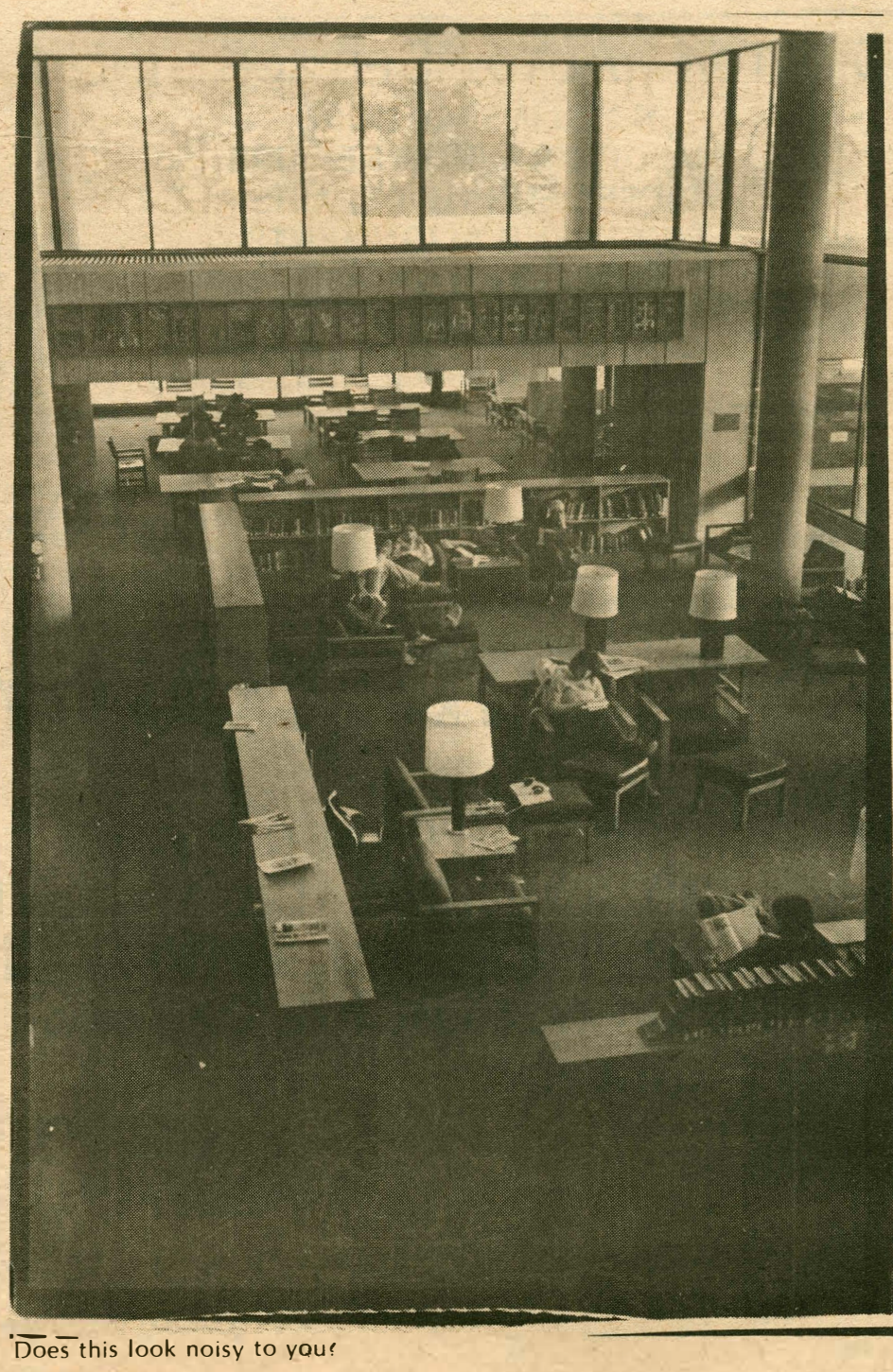
Everyone knows the Burke Library has the reputation of being more a social arena than a place to study. The second floor is a great place to meet up with friends and the vending machines in the smoking room can stave off the hunger pangs of the most ardent junk food addict. Now, with exams rapidly approaching, the library staff has decided to crack down on the problems of noise and garbage.

Effective May 6, certain parts of the library are designated 'quiet' and 'conversation' areas. Beginning this summer, the smoking room will no longer host any vending machines.

The plan to separate areas of the library to aid noise control is "mainly on an experimental basis," commented Keith Washburn of the library staff. If the results are effective, the areas will remain separated next fall. "Quiet" areas will include the entire third floor, all study areas on the second floor except seminar rooms, and all study areas on the first floor except the all-night reading room. Conversation will be permitted in the second floor seminar rooms, the all-night reading room and the smoking room. To aid the staff in policing these rules, an additional staff member will be in the library through closing time.

The decision to remove the vending machines is due to the violations of taking food and beverages out of the smoking room. In a written note to the editor of *The Spectator*, Wasburn mentioned the need "to maintain the appearance of a library as distinguished from a cafeteria."

Wasburn further commented that the decision was made to "protect library materials from physical destruction." The vending machines will not return to the library until the library has the "ability to establish an area where food can be strictly controlled and contained," Wasburn said.



'Does this look noisy to you?

Trustees convene this weekend; will settle budget, discuss water

This weekend the Board of Trustees will assemble on the hill for their last meeting of the 1981-82 academic year.

According to President of the College, J. Martin Carovano, the trustees will decide on a final budget for the 1982-83 academic year and will be discussing the college's efforts to obtain Utica water. Other major topics on the agenda will include discussion of a new capital campaign, a review of the proposed plan to renovate dormatories on the Stryker Campus which will result in the creation of new social and residential spaces in those dorms, and a review of the James Library renovation, which is, according to President Carovano, on schedule. In addition, the trustees will be making academic personnel decisions and will be deciding the fate of those charter trustees whose terms end this year.

Fellowships: an alternative

by Lauren Picker

Every academic year since 1976-77, a select group of seniors participate in the Senior Fellowship Program. The fellows for the class of 1982 are Michael Denk, Ken Harris, Bob Harris, Marty O'Malley.

In the spring of their junior year, interested students may apply to be a Senior Fellow. The number of students named as Senior Fellows varies from year to year, although the number cannot exceed seven. The Academic Council considers the candidates and their proposed projects. The dean of the college then appoints the individuals on the basis of the Council's recommendation. As stated in the memorandum regarding this program, "Senior Fellows are chosen from among students showing intellectual caliber, independence of mind, and imaginative curiosity..."

The Senior Fellow, with the aid of a principal adviser and co-adviser(s), embarks upon a year long in-depth study within an area that has stimulated the individual's personal interest. In the spring, the fellows are required to share their project with the public in an oral presentation. The fellows must also partake in an oral examination in which they present a five minute synopsis of the project to three examiners, two of whom must be members of the Hamilton faculty. The study culminates in a senior thesis.

The fellows do not receive numerical grades for their projects. Their transcripts include a qualitative evaluation of the study by each individual's principal adviser.

Dr. John Ellis, director of the Senior Fellowship Program since it was initiated in 1976, feels that for the students who continue their academic pursuits at graduate or professional schools, involvement in this kind of program "might carry more weight" than a traditional academic curriculum. Perhaps this is because the framework of the Senior Fellowship Program parallels the type of activity that is expected of graduate students.

Although the project may encompass any area that appeals to the student, according to Dr. Ellis, most fellows tend to devote their project to an area outside of the pure sciences. Students who plan to pursue a career in the sciences are eligible candidates for the program. However, Dr. Ellis ascertains that students who intend to further their studies in a science field are expected to fulfill certain requirements prior to undertaking graduate work in that field. If the student has failed to complete these requirements at Hamilton, then he or she must do so within the undergraduate program of their graduate school.

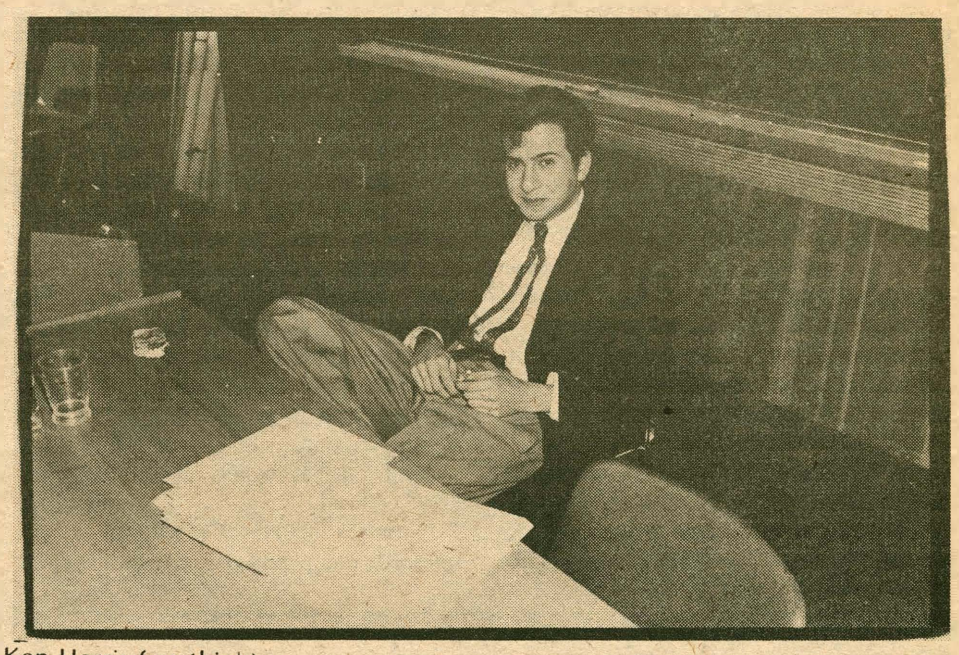
Marty O'Malley, one of this year's Senior Fellows, states that while it is "hard to concentrate on one thing for a whole year..., I'd do it again." He claims that he "got a lot out of it; a hell of a lot more than I'd have learned in my senior year."

The following is a collection of summaries by the Senior Fellows of the class of 1982 regarding their individual projects.

Michael Denk: "Ethics, Economics and Primary Health Care: Implications of the Rural Appalachia Experience."

"My fellowship allowed me to study the developing field of health services. Applying an economic framework and a few ethical principles to health care delivery in rural Appalachia was my means for exploring the dynamics of the United States health care sector. An eight week field study trip gave me the opportunity to gain a bird's eye view of health care delivery in Appalachia. Finally, I took my experience with four rural counties in Appalachia, kept the current economic and organizational trends of the health care sector in mind, as well as a claim about equal access to primary health care, and adjusted my focus to the macroscopic level. At this level I made inferences about how U.S. health care might be changing to better meet the needs of the population."

Kenneth Harris: "On Making Logical Sense of Ethical Matters: A Study in Deontic Logic"



Ken Harris (we think)

of philosophic logic. I have worked with professors Elizabeth Ring, Richard Bedient and Gerald Massey. If I had to express briefly my feelings concerning the fellowship program, I would say that if someone considering the program were to have a strong interest in pursuing study in a particular area of inquiry (and if the individual's constitution were suited for dealing with some bureaucratic problems), then the fellowship program would most probalby benefit such a person. As for my experiences as a Senior Fellow, I believe, for the most part, that my year has been productive."

"As a Senior Fellow, I have spent the year thinking about and writing on matters

Robert Harris: "The Legitimacy of Doubt: A Philosophical Study"

"I have spent this year as a Senior Fellow. My work is in the areas of contemporary epistemology and metaphilosophy. Throughout, I have discussed my project with Professors Richard Werner, David Paris, and Libby Potter.

The main claim presented in my fellowship paper is that if one feels doubt about one's knowledge of oneself and the world (its very existence), then this doubt cannot be overcome, or rejected, by an appeal to some system of philosophy. A different matter of doubt concerns the meri of the Senior Fellowship Program.

A brief comment on the program: I feel that the program is, or can be, worthwhile for a person who wishes to spend a great deal of time working in a particular field. Although one does forfeit the opportunity to choose a wide-range of classes, it seems to me that "diversity" is not for all students. In fact, the fellowship program makes the student body more diverse, for everyone is not seeking diversity."

Marty O'Malley's thesis is entitled "Vibrotactile Masking: The Existence of Tactile Sensory Channels." Unfortunately, he was unable to provide *The Spectator* with any information regarding his project.

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Verbal cold war fought in Chapel

by Tom Griggs

Last Thursday, April 29, the Hamilton Union sponsored its annual international debate, entitled "War and Peace in the Value Systems of Soviet and American Societies." Representing the Soviets were Anatoly Victorov, Lyvbora Repnikova and Slava Nikarov. Debating for Hamilton were Joseph Ricci, Susan Frey and Mark Russoniello, all of the class of '84.

After some brief opening remarks by Professor Thomas Kane of the Speech Communications Association, Nikorov began the debate. He stressed that war and peace depend upon both the United States and the USSR, and this necessitates a dialogue at all levels, from the highest officials of government down to the respective peoples. Nikarov pointed out that name-calling will not bring peace and defended the Soviets against charges of human rights violations by saying, "We are not eating small children."

He claimed that his society allows "true expression of the will." The Soviets satisfy the social, material and intellectual needs of the people. Above all, peace is the basic human value of the Soviet Union and a part of Marxist-Lenin ideology. According to Nikarov, the Soviets, having faced the loss of 30 million of their countrymen in two world wars, know the horrors of war and dread nuclear war in particular. Nikarov ended by stating, "The right of man for peace is importance above all else.

Joseph Ricci also stressed the importance of war, calling it a "weighty issue" which, although not frequently thought about, affects everyone. Ricci called war "terrible and devastating." America, according to Ricci, has always stood for peace. He points to the 16 Nobel Peace Prize awards garnered by Americans and notes that the only Soviet winner, Andrei Satcharov, is in internal exile.

The US takes an active role in the peace process, but does not impose peace through a special police force. Individual rights are the cornerstone of peace and, according to Ricci, the US has always strived for peace. He pointed to the Monroe Doctrine, World War I, the Marshall Plan, the United Nations and the Camp David accords as examples of US efforts to achieve peace. The Russians, however, have comparatively few examples of their own. Ricci closed his remarks by calling for peace between the two nations, declaring, "There has never been a good war or a bad peace."

Repnikova was the next to speak. The arms race, stated Repnikova, is a fact. America's use of the atomic bomb at the close of World War II was totally unnecessary. The US was the initiator of the arms race and profits handsomely from that race. The Eisenhower administration, claims Repnikova, exaggerated Russian military strength "3 or 4 times." The Kenned yadministration exaggerated a missile gap an incredible 15 or 20 times. The Soviets, unlike the US, possess no strategic offensive weapons. The American people, however, despite the actions of its government, desire peace and believe everything possible must be done to prevent nuclear war.

Frey, like the other speakers, stressed the fact that war was unwanted. War destabilizes society and the people of both nations are the victims of a massive anxiety attack. Mutual trust is the best remedy. The US, according to Frey, uses war only as a last resort. The central theme of the Constitution is that the government respects the individual. Thus domestic stability is carried over into international stability.

Frey also pointed out the differences in the respective governmental systems. Whereas the Soviet Union conducts purges, the US holds elections. The US has no prison camps in Alaska and Jews are permitted to emigrate. Although America is no utopia, people still flock to America. Frey then noted that a Russian word pronounced "meer" means both peace and world but then asked which the Russians mean when they speak of "meer" — peace or world?

Victorov was the next to speak. He too stressed that the arms race is at the forefront of world politics. People must forget the past and stop thinking in terms of military strength. Arms sales are no longer the domain of private manufacturers but are now part of the state and part of state policy. Thus, the problem lies in the political system. The USSR has proposed to jointly decelerate the arms race. Public pressure has forced the US to take a similar position, but the US has justified the failure of arms limitation efforts on 'mistrust' of the Russians. Yet it has been the US which has speeded up the arms race and continues today to fuel that race. However, Victorov closed, ideological differences do not have to develop into war.

The final speaker was Mark Russoniello. He too agreed on the horrors of war. If governments got out of the way, war would be impossible. He then questioned the audience on the exact nature of American values. In the U.S. there is no official set of values, and there is no propoganda or government ideology. Russoniello believes that one cannot pinpoint the American value system. However, the American people do have one common thought — the freedom of the individual. It is, according to Russoniello, the "very essence of the system."

There is no connection between war and freedom, but the connection between peace and freedom is very strong indeed. Russoniello closed by stating, "Our freedom and our peace are so important to us that we are willing to go to war to protect them."

The debate proved to be an illuminating, interesting and provocative evening for the capacity crowd at the Chapel, and both teams say they will look back on the event fondly.

Bristol entertains before ceremony

Hamilton College's 32nd annual Class and Charter Day was held Wednesday, with a humorous convocation address by Emeritus Trustee William M. Bristol preceding the traditional presentation of honors and prizes.

Bristol reminisced about professors and classmates during his undergraduate years at Hamilton in the early teens. He recalled the tough exterior but good wit of President Melancthon Woolsey Stryker in particular and spoke of an occasion when students brought a cow into chapel — and were suspended by Stryker from daily Chapel, thereby losing all class "cuts" for the year. He mentioned some of the more humorous changes students had to make with the adoption of the Honor System and the problems his brother Lee and another classmate had when auditioning for Choir. Bristol's speech was received with a standing ovation, after which President J. Martin Carovano and Dean of Students Melvin Endy presented honors and prizes to students.

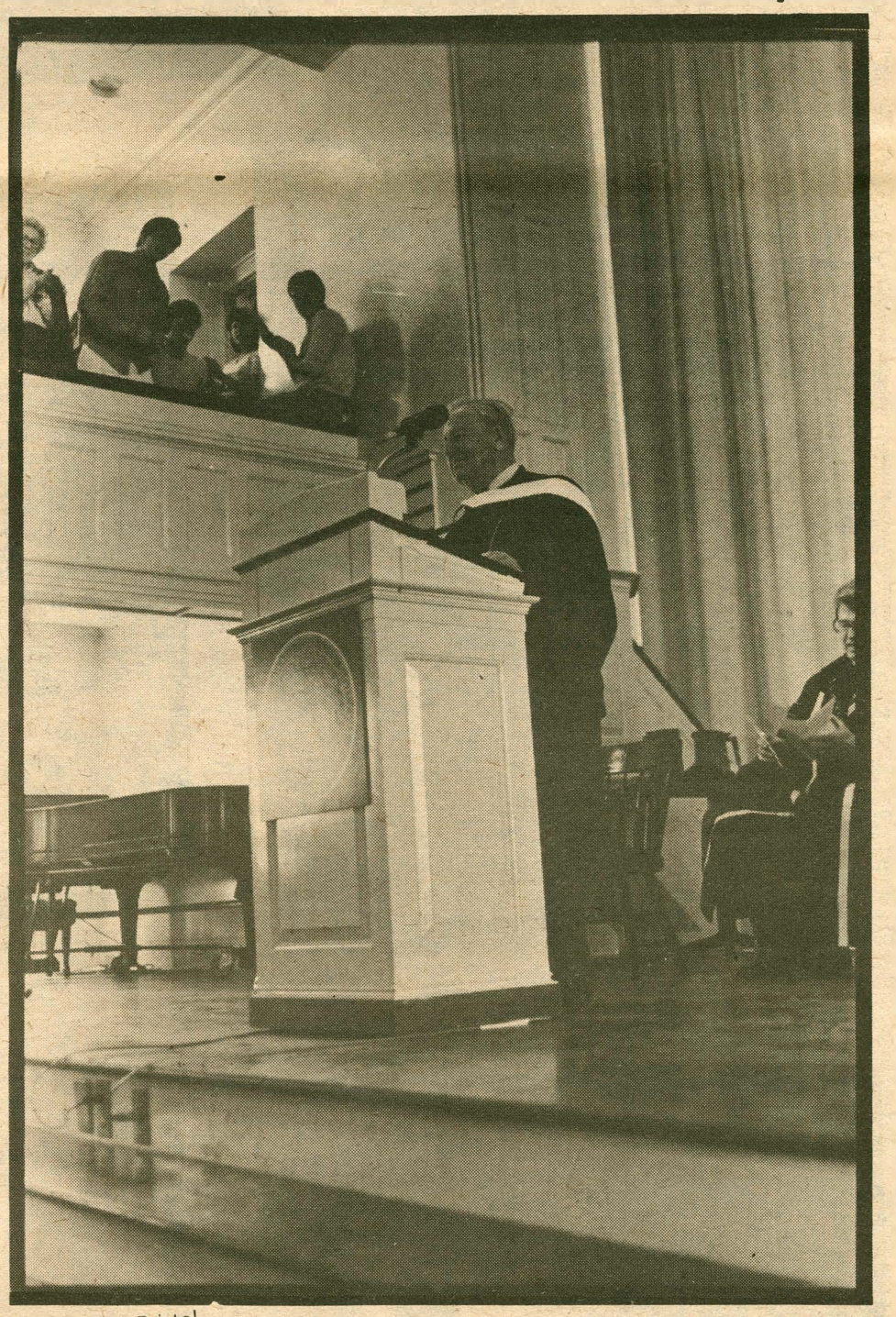
Mary McLean was awarded the James Soper Merrill Prize as the senior "who, in character and influence, has best typified the highest ideals of the college." She will receive a gold watch at Commencement.

Prize scholarships went to: Joseph Lopez (Curran); Randall Moss (Harris); Catherine Imboden (Langa); Laura Levin (Ristine); Kevin Hayden, Robertson Howe, Ronald Evans, Kimberley Swank (Doyle); Suzanne Belles, John Pruitt (Fitch); Daniel Carpenter, Eric Foster (Bruman); Pamela McCarthy, Ian Stewart (Wertimer); and eight students for the Patterson Prize Scholarship.

Fellowships went to Barbara Driver (Allbright), and Elizabeth Dayan and Polly Divan (Wells).

Achievement prizes were awarded to: Robert Tate (Babcock); Martha Frye (Emily and Alfred Bohn); Carolyn Hampton, Amy Sonnenfeld (Harold C. Bohn); Jonathan Miller (Cameron); Martha Denney, Drew Krause (Date); Andrew Greenspan (Darling); Kenneth Howe (Gelas); Daniel Wilson (Gillespie); Barry Silberzweig (Graves); Daniel Rubin (Hallock); Alan Jenke (Hamilton); Thomas Kent, Elizabeth Evans (Hawley); Michael Fabian (Holbrook); Kelly McHugh (Johnson); Daniel Clair (Kirkland); Michele Hammer (Kneeland); Lawrence Calabrese, Lise Rubenfeld (Marder); Van Mount (Payne Hills, Rogers); Peter Cameron (Pikington); Carl Nasto (Putnam); Carolyn Wolfe (Reed); Kyle Phillips, Alan Silliman (Rogers); Martin O'Malley (B.F. Skinner); David Macavley (Southworth); Kenneth Harris, Robert Harris (Squires); Elizabeth Clayton, Shu So (Tompkins); Kelly Harwood (Wonchell); Benjamin Semple, Yolanda Vanderkrol (Winslow); and Peter Nelson (Wyld).

Speaking prizes were awared to John Kelly (Wright) and Julie North, Daniel Egan, and Brooks Magratten (McKinney).



William M. Bristol.

house.

Writing prizes went to Theresa Roberts (Gordon, Kirkland); Donna Fulkerson (Academy of American Poets, Watrous); Katharine Ottaway (Watrous); Frederick Rosner (Weaver); and Leigh Goehring, Edmund Taylor, and Philip Paras (Soper).

Descriptions of the various prizes are located in the college catalogue.

Two senior fellows were announced for next year: Edward Blucher and Lisa Namerow.

Five new Penthagon members were inducted: Lisa Namerow, Marie Carole, Carolyn Wolfe, Chip Bristol, and David Palmer.

Lo, the winter is past,
the rain is over and gone.
the flowers appear on the earth,
the time of singing has come

Kirkland lives via its endowment

by Carol Bash

The Kirkland Endowment was given to the college "to be used to support women and their needs and interests at Hamilton," according to a letter sent to the Hamilton community last fall by Carol Bellini-Sharp, chairperson of the Advisory Committee on the Kirkland Endowment. The Endowment was formed when Kirkland College was dissolved and certain funds became available. It involves both restricted and unrestricted endowments.

The restricted endowment consists of funds that can only be used for designated purposes. Bellini-Sharp's letter stated, "The restricted endowment is already earmarked for books, financial aid, and prizes." There are two writing prizes — "one to be awarded in women's studies and the other in interdisciplinary studies." The restricted endowment also funds the Samuel F. Babbit Kirkland Fellowship and the Jane Watson Irwin Chair. A letter that Bellini-Sharp sent to the faculty stated that both senior women and graduates are eligible to apply for the fellowship "for the purpose of allaying expenses in connection with the pursuit of a higher degree." The letter designates that the recipient should be "the woman graduate of Hamilton College who best exemplifies the spirit of individual inquiry and continuing learning which was associated with Kirkland College." There are seven applicants this year, and the Advisory Committee will decide who will receive the fellowship.

The Jane Watson Irwin Chair is given to a professor of the humanities. Two former appointees were Jean D'Costa and her successor Evelyn Beck, who were visiting professors at the time of their appointments and had each taught a women's studies course. According to Bellini-Sharp, the Chair has not been appointed for 1982-83, which she blames on a lack of efficiency and commitment. "People have not moved on it (finding an appointee); not everyone is convinced that this is a valuable goal and there are some people who are not interested." Bellini-Sharp adds that the Irwin Chair "has been very important. It is the symbol of Hamilton's commitment to women," and she praises D'Costa and Beck for their contributions to the chair as well as to the community.

The remainder of the Kirkland Endowment consists of unrestricted funds, which yields between $8000 and $9000 a year, and "is available for general use with the concurrence of both the Committee and the Board of Trustees." Special-interest groups, organizations and individuals are encouraged to submit proposals to the Advisory Committee to request funding for their events. The committee is only allowed to fund events that in some way "support women and their needs at Hamilton College." As a result, Bellini-Sharp stated, "We the committee are eager to bring women to campus and are interested in projects that would help women in particular. . . We are also very interested in interaction between the faculty and students and the speakers." This year, the committee has helped to sponsor the Math-Anxiety Clinic, "Aesthetics and Politics," Women's Energy Weekend, and concerts and lectures featuring Jessie Bernard, Betty Williams, Lisa Sergio, and Vinnie Burrows.

The Advisory Committee meets three times a year to discuss the proposals, and its membership consists of one current student, three graduates, and the chairperson, each of whom serves a three year term. There is presently a vacancy on the committee, and anyone who is interested should speak to Bellini-Sharp or send her a letter expressing interest in the position.

Graduation honorees announced

Maurice C. Clifford, president of the Medical College of Philadelphia, will deliver the address at commencement on May 23. He will also receive an honorary doctor of sciences. The Right Reverend John Coburn, Episcopal Bishop of Massachusetts, will receive an honorary degree of sacred theology and will also deliver the baccalaureate sermon. Coleman Burke, chairman of the Hamilton Board of Trustees from 1969 until 1977, will receive an honorary doctor of laws.

A 1941 graduate of Hamilton, Clifford has been a professor of clinical obstetrics and gynecology at the Medical College for 25 years, and a Philadelphia physician since 1947. In early 1980, he was named chief executive officer, becoming the first black ever to head a major medical college in the United States, other than the medical schools of Meharry and Howard, two predominantly black institutions. On October 29, 1981, already vice president, he was elected to the presidency.

As president, Clifford is responsible for the entire complex, which includes a 329-bed hospital and medical school with an enrollment of more than 450. He also oversees a staff of more than 800 physicians, researchers, and scientists.

A trustee of Meharry Medical College and of the Academy of Natural Science in Philadelphia, Clifford is also a life fellow of the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecologists. He has received the Outstanding Service Award of the Philadelphia branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and, more recently, the Distinguished American Award from the American Association for Negro Affairs.

Educated at Princeton University and Union Theological Seminary, Coburn assumed his first major administrative position in 1954, when he became dean of Trinity Cathedral in Newark, New Jersey. Two years later, he was named dean of the Episcopal Theological School in Cambridge, Massachusetts, a position he would hold for 12 years. During his tenure as Dean, Coburn secured the admission of women to the regular degree program. By the time he left in 1967, the school had completed a major ten-million dollar fund campaign and had constructed a new library and new dining facilities.

Elected to the presidency of the House of Deputies of the Episcopal Church's General Conventions in 1967, Coburn resigned as dean of the Theological School. For the next year, he divided his time between the demands of that office and the responsibilities as an instructor in an Urban League-sponsored academy in Harlem. At the same time, he served as rector of St. James, Madison Avenue and 71st Street in New York City.

Encouraged to stand for election as Episcopal Bishop of Massachusetts, Coburn consented on the condition that he not be installed until he had filled his term as president of the House of Deputies. He was elected on that condition and became bishop at the conclusion of the 1976 General Convention.

A 1934 graduate of Hamilton, Burke is now senior partner in the New York law firm of Burke and Burke. First elected to the Board in 1948, Burke became chairman in 1969. During his four consecutive 2-year terms at the helm, Burke oversaw a number of innovative projects at Hamilton, occasioned by the College's continuing efforts to update and improve its facilities. Foremost among them were the construction of the Daniel Burke Library and the Bundy dormitory/dining hall complex in 1972, the installation of the college computer center in 1974, and the building of the observatory in 1975. Burke was also chairman when the college named J. Martin Carovano as its 16th president in 1974, and when the decision was made to combine Kirkland College with Hamilton.

In addition to Clifford, Coburn and Burke, the late singer/songwriter Harry Chapin, Edward W. Duffy, head of the Marine Midland Bank, and Sharon Percey Rockefeller, chairwoman of the board of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, will also be honored. Commencement will begin at 2 pm with the academic procession. The exercises will follow at 2:15 pm.

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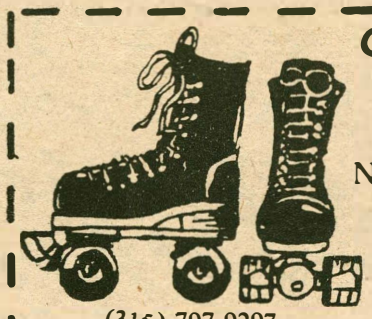

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J.B. Hutto rocks a lucky few

by Jake Bigham

Saturday evening of Folk Festival weekend was blessed this year with uncommonly delicious, war, spring breezes. All over campus tee-shirt-clad students enjoyed the weather at outside parties. On a night like that one, not many things could lure students into the chapel.

One thing that could proved to be the promise of hearing a master of the blues play the instrument that made him famous. The star was J.B. Hutto, Chicago's (and some might say the world's) finest slide guitarist.

Hutto was preceeded by the Charged Particles, a band that plays, in the words of lead vocalist Michal Shapiro, "traditional music and bluegrass. . . altered." Characteristic of this alteration is the fender Stratocaster guitar that banjo player Marty Cutler customized so that it could be strung as a banjo.

After warming up the small but enthusiastic crowd, the Charged Particles relinquished the stage to J.B.'s band, the New Hawks. The Hawks opened with two very tightly-performed rock numbers. Then in the middle of the third number the 56-year-old virtuoso of Chicago blues strolled casually up to the stage, carefully adjusted his glasses, and proceeded to blow the roof off the chapel. By the end of the next number the whole crowd was on their feet dancing.

With each composition the band performed, the enthusiasm and energy of the audience grew. J.B.'s unassuming style on the stage was compellingly cool, while he continued to lay down the hot blues rifts that dazzled the crowd.

Mr. Joseph Benjamin Hutto's selections were, for the most part, upbeat, but he did play a few slower blues numbers, noteably "Summertime."

The frenzy was greatest when Hutto left the stage and walked through the crowd of wild dancers. He did this two or three times during the four-and-a-half hour performance. Each time he walked away, leaving an awed, dazed student behind.

J.B. Hutto and the New Hawks are now touring Europe, treating that continent to some genuine American blues. Hopefully J.B. will return for a third annual visit to Hamilton next year. If he does, be prepared to dance and hear a dynamic blues performance.

How to have sex in a taxi

***Taxi Driver*, directed by Martin Scorcese, starring Robert DeNiro, Cybil Shepherd, and Jodie Foster.**

The question is, why doesn't anyone else make movies like Martin Scorcese, who proves that a director can be successful, popular, and still create uncompromising art. *Taxi Driver* is a psychological thriller as well as an artistic masterpiece. However, it is not just a story about Travis, a New York cab driver and Vietnam Vet gradually transforming into a one-man arsenal as "protection" against the city.

DeNiro plays the same type of outwardly sleazy character that he did in *New York, New York*, but whereas his clarinet player was openly violent and insecure, Travis' persona is violence absorbed, repressed, until it changes him into the very thing he has been keeping hidden. Scorcese drops subtle clues about him; a brief mention of a Marines discharge and the military jacket he wears are all that is said about Vietnam (one assumes), but it feeds us something to relate his actions to. That Travis is a taxi driver defines him in the eyes of others, and symbolizes his station as a lone observer, someone on the outside looking in on life.

Travis yearns for the woman behind glass, Betsy (Cybil Shepherd), his perfection, but their brief merger is a failure, the perfection unattainable. He can't quite slip unnoticed into the world of "all the rest," so he retreats temporarily into his taxi, at once a shield against the outside at the same time that his back seat constantly holds a sample of, as Travis says, "the scum of the city."

Everything fits together without a chink in this film. When Jodie Foster, playing a 12 year old prostitute, gets pulled out of his cab by her pimp, the pimp throws him a $20 bill and tells him to forget about it. Later, Travis pays for his visit to Iris (Foster) with the same $20, as if it could not be used for anything else. In contrast to this situation is the ongoing campaign of the presidential candidate, Palantine. He says he is optimistic about the country and that "the people are beginning to rule." This statement is an ominous foreshadowing of the end of the film where the people, in the person of "average" taxi driver, do rule, but in a much different manner than he intended.

Travis makes his purging of the city filth into an elaborate, exactly timed ritual. After he fails in his assassination attempt, he heads to the East Village where he tries to liberate Iris from her environment. At the end of this bloody sequence (the only one in the film), the police enter and the scene becomes a tableau, shot from above. All through *Taxi Driver*, Scorcese calls our attention to the small details, sometimes staying on an object as if forcing us to "stare" at it. The artistic effects in the film are also mood-creating; he uses billowing steam, ostensibly from manholes, to frame and enhance shots. In this way, everything in this film has more than one level to it — the visuals are always emphasized by the music and action — with never a camera angle out of place. **— Anne Spalek**

***Everything you always wanted to know about sex (but were afraid to ask).* Starring Woody Allen, John Carradine, Bert Reynolds, Louise Lasser, Gene Wilder, Tony Randall. Directed by Woody Allen.**

I was talking to Mark Pisani of S.K. films today, and he asked me if I was going to give them a good review. I said that I would not know until I saw the movie. Mark thinks that I give S.K. bad reviews; I think that they are fair. He says that it doesn't matter though, because nobody reads the reviews anyway. Now, it's not that I don't like S.K., or Mark, or that I am a member of the Foreign and Fine Film Society, but if I gave S.K. movies a good review every week then things would get boring. No variety, you know. Mark and I disagree almost every week. He is very protective of his films, and rightly so considering what he has put in to salvage S.K. this spring. So this week, I think that Mark and I can agree. He can get the review that he wants and I am pleased to provide it.

Everything You Always Wanted to Know about Sex is a smorgasbord of selections from Dr. Rubin's chummy, informative book of the same name. The doctor is kind enough to answer all of the reader's most private, embarrasing questions about sex, birth control, and sexual deviancy in a friendly, clinical sort of way. In his movie, Woody Allen does all he can to screw up all that the inquisitive have learned and send them running back to Rubin for reassurance. Allen attacks such common questions and anxieties as "Do aphrodisiacs really work?" "What is sodomy?", "What are sexual perverts?" "What happens during ejaculation?" and "Are transvestites homosexuals?" He then responds to these questions with satirically comic skits. The format is very similar to that of *Love, American Style*. However, the skits are considerably more bizarre, populated by medieval misfits, giant breasts, embarrassed transvestites, and parachuting packing sperm cells in a scene reminiscent of Barth's "Night Sea Journey."

Allen manages to combine many stereotypes of other popular film genres, such as the gothic horror film, the racy foreign film, and the sci-fi thriller. He preys on the audience's uncertainties, ignorance and anxieties in a most effective manner. If you thought you knew what sex is about, you may wonder after this movie. And if you still have any questions, the movie probably will not answer them, but it may give you a different slant on things.

— Justin Lowe

Arts

Kiena a touching success

by John Huckans

On April 27, 28, and 29, the Hamilton community was treated to Thabo Nkomo's production of *Kiena.* Music for the play was written by Geoge Shrady, Dan Rosenfeld, and Mischa Cooney. The plot involved the encroachment of Western progress upon a traditional African society.

"There was a small beautiful African village named Kiena. Existing in the tradition of fruitful years. Then came change. So called 'new' life. I remember it all. Just like it was yesterday. . . "

Safaria, played by Preston Sample, is the victim of this change. Pressed by the villagers to accept the new way of life, he ultimately loses control, strangles one of the villagers (Robert Tabone) and leaves Kiena.

Directed by Phyllis Holmes, the performance was narrated throughout by Kelvin Ruiz. Veronica Williams gave a fine performance and was especially moving during "This Wall of Stone" and "You Gotta Do What You Gotta Do." Her fellow villagers, Daniel Rose, James Bonafe, Cassaundra Smith and Grace Millings, added inspired dancing and rich singing to the play.

Preston Sample's voice was strong and his movement on stage was breathtaking at times. Robert Tabone's brief appearance was marked by his whispering, yet articulate, singing and his frightening death-struggle with Sample. Howard Morgan rounded out the cast with his masterful portrayal of the village chief. The only real criticism voiced by many in the audience was the inaudibility of some of the lines and singing which led to a poor understanding of the plot.

One of the high points of the evening was the performance of the band, composed of Mischa Cooney, George Shrady, Herb Lockwood, Kevin Conroy, Gregory Thomas and Andrew Rosenfeld.

Extremely sensitive to the singing and displaying a virtuosity that rivaled the cast's performance, they provided a rich blend of music ranging from soul to funk. Their interpretation of the song, "Kiena," was particularly touching and brought chills to the spines of the audience. Headed by David Macauley, the technical crew made optimal use of the loft's possibilities.

On Saturday, May 8, at 8:00, Martha Denney '82 will present a flute recital in the chapel. Also performing will be Grant D. Jones and Colleen Roberts Pellman, piano, Laurence Dahl, cello, and Daniel Miles Rosenfeld, tenor. The concert will feature works of J.S. Bach, Ibert, Hindemith, Martin, and Feld as well as the premieres of two student works commissioned especially for this performance: a piece for flute and piano by Drew Krause '82 and one for flute and guitar by Herbert Lockwood '82. The concert is free and everyone is invited for what promises to be an exciting and amusing evening.

Pictured are, from left to right, Herb Lockwood, Martha Denny, Drew Krause.

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Tira succeeds brilliantly

by Will Oberholtzer

This past weekend the Alexander Hamilton Players presented a production of Michael Weller's *Tira tells Everything there is to know about Herself*. The production was mounted in the List Recital Hall and played to receptive houses for all of its three-show run.

What does one say when one does not like a play as a script, but at the same time thoroughly enjoys oneself at a production of it? That is the position that this reviewer finds himself in. My major criticism of "Tira" is probably of its script. The viewpoint that it presents is an upsetting one and one that this reviewer does not share. It is difficult to tell whether the play is anti-women or anti-men, both or neither.

Setting these difficulties aside, Erica Leopold must be congratulated for having staged an entertaining show. She set herself an arduous task when she decided both to direct and act in the production. It is very hard for actors to judge their own work, they need outside feedback in order for them to know how they are coming across. Actors are amazingly adept at internalizing roles too much when they don't have someone to jar them out ouf their self-indulgences. Luckily, Erica did not fall into this trap. Not only did she succeed in bringing out the characters from her fellow actors, but she also succeeded in establishing the role of Tira. Tira is a difficult part requiring quite a range from the actress who plays her. Here, again, Erica showed her obviously prodigious talents with a performance of great depth and immense focus.

Erica pulled together quite a cast of actors to play Tira's "lovers." Greg Magin brought the perfect blend of a snobbish boor and a childish samurai to the role of Ted. His speech on the glories of darkness was delivered just as the most boring person in the world would discuss the most boring topic in the world.

In the role of Poof, who Michael Weller describes as a "faggot grotesque," Eric Lyboldt succeeded by bringing the caricature to life. Lyboldt showed an incredible amount of energy in a role that was probably difficult because of the offensive stereotype that it was.

Bryan Iandoli made the latin-lover Lucio into quite a charmer. With his touring cap and his imaginary sports-car, Iandoli played the egocentric character to the hilt.

Brute is a difficult part to play, for he is at once a crass, disgusting man while at the same time he is a man offended by crudity. Dan Rosenfeld got both of these elements in his performance.

Rich Lucas has really got to get away from playing wierdos. He's too good at them and it makes one wonder after a while about the nature of Lucas himself. Well, anyway, he, too, took his part, that of Tib, and infused it with an energy that made it appealing and revolting at the same time.

Overall, the cast was excellent and Erica should be applauded for the obvious coups that she made in casting. Luckily, none of it was typecasting because the elements of personality that they all displayed were all very well realized but it would be depressing to think that any one of them was like their character.

I can still say that I enjoyed the show, even with my difficulties with the script, because there is nothing I enjoy quite so much as a show in which the cast it totally committed to what they are doing. Their commitment and energy was quite obvious and they are to be commended for their efforts.

Big plays in little packages

by Will Oberholtzer

The directing class one-acts will be performed on May 7,8 and 9 in Minor Theatre. These plays are the final projects for the three directors in the class. The shows have been designed by three of the students in scene design class as their final projects.

The first of the plays is *Sweet and Twenty* by Floyd Dell. Mark Nietzer directs and Kristin Lindfors designed *Sweet and Twenty*. The characters in the comedy are played by Jennifer Pease, Mitch Hamilton, Curtis Hane and Bob Lazzaro.

The second, a bizarre little play by Sam Shephard, is called *Action* and its director and designer are Barb Wiechmann and Kathryn Bauer, respectively. It features David Davis, Jacqueline Maloy, Will Oberholtzer and Karen Oberthal.

The last of the plays is Israel Horowitz's *Hopscotch*. Maureen Barry is the director and Linda Katzin is the designer. Mel Chesnut and Andrew Thomas act in this compelling piece.

Each of the three plays will be performed all three nights in Minor starting at 8:30.

Nuclear accidents are not all bad

by Chris Behan

The Nuclear Accidents, a scintillating new wave band from Syracuse, will play in Commons on Saturday night at 9:00.

The Nukes' concept is quintessentially modern. Instead of resisting the computer/video/nuclear age of the 1980's, they ride the third wave to produce a futuristic, dance-oriented repetoire.

Their music is a melange of their musical concept with a twist of the best styles of the new wave movement — the Police, Devo, and Adam and the Ants. Their show consists mostly of originals with some covers to add a familiar beat.

The four-member group, Al Ferre, Flash Burns, Tom McCloud and Adam Balm promulgate the promise of the future. Their music has a message beyond its superficial dancibility.

"Pro-technology is our platform," explains guitarist Al Ferre. "We, of course, see there are problems with nuclear power. But we still feel that technology can solve all the difficulties. We don't like to see people giving up and being frightened away. It's like after the first automobile accident; they didn't stop making cars.

"We used to come right out and say we were pro-nuclear, but that's kind of stupid, because it leaves a bad taste in people's mouths and it doesn't open their minds to the philosophy we have, which isn't as callous as that."

Indeed the Nukes' program reflects their propensity toward technophilia. Songs like "Sister Satellite," "I-B-M-B-I," and "Nagasaki Eyes" are virtuoso combinations of their modernistic message and technological tempo.

The Nukes combine a broad range of experience and originality. From their spring-summer '81 Canadian tour which included major stops in Montreal, Ottawa and Toronto, they are presently mounting their offensive in central New York.

They are now playing in clubs in the Syracuse area. They prefer this central location because of its proximity to Canada, New York and Boston.

With their futuristic angle, it is not surprising that the band is actively involved in the video mode. The Nukes produce "Musicuse," a regular serial on local Syracuse music, broadcast on public access television.

"Video is the new press, and we want to bring our music to the living room," said Flash Burns. "You've got to give people what they want, and I think people like to watch TV."

The excitement generated by the Nuclear Accidents translates well into both audio and video recordings. Their attraction is easily felt during their live performances also.

When drummer Adam Balm's calculated rhythm textures and Tom McCloud's bass fluency combine with Al Ferre's inspired guitar bite and Flash Burns' explosive performance, the result is pure nuclear synergy.

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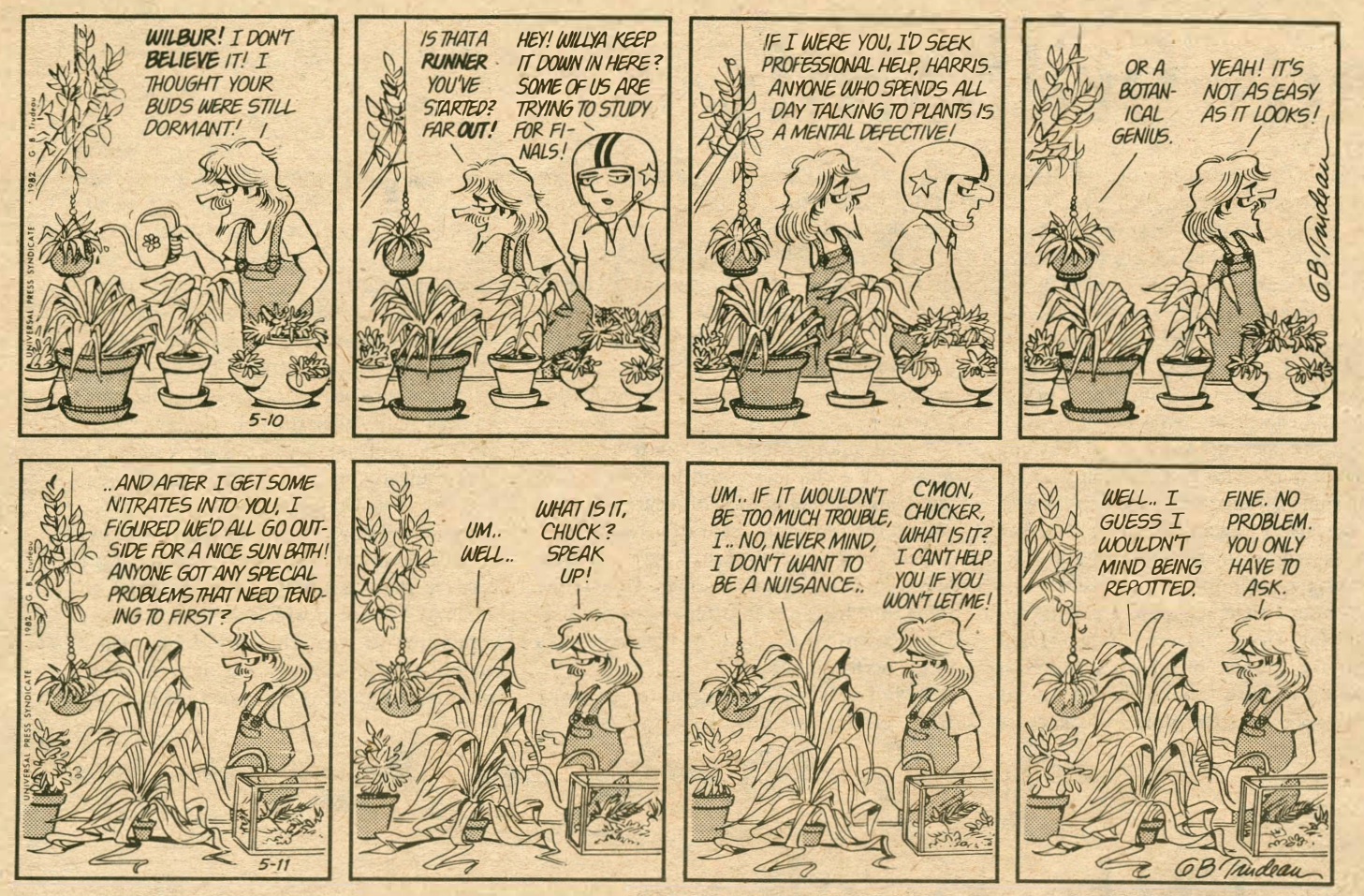
WILBUR! I DON'T BELIEVE IT! I THOUGHT YOUR BUDS WERE STILL DORMANT!
IS THAT A RUNNER YOU'VE STARTED? FAR OUT!
HEY! WILLYA KEEP IT DOWN IN HERE? SOME OF US ARE TRYING TO STUDY FOR FINALS!
IF I WERE YOU, I'D SEEK PROFESSIONAL HELP, HARRIS. ANYONE WHO SPENDS ALL DAY TALKING TO PLANTS IS A MENTAL DEFECTIVE!
OR A BOTANICAL GENIUS.
YEAH! IT'S NOT AS EASY AS IT LOOKS!
GB Trudeau
5-10
..AND AFTER I GET SOME NITRATES INTO YOU, I FIGURED WE'D ALL GO OUTSIDE FOR A NICE SUN BATH! ANYONE GOT ANY SPECIAL PROBLEMS THAT NEED TENDING TO FIRST?
UM.. WELL..
WHAT IS IT, CHUCK? SPEAK UP!
UM.. IF IT WOULDN'T BE TOO MUCH TROUBLE, I.. NO, NEVER MIND, I DON'T WANT TO BE A NUISANCE..
C'MON, CHUCKER, WHAT IS IT? I CAN'T HELP YOU IF YOU WON'T LET ME!
WELL.. I GUESS I WOULDN'T MIND BEING REPOTTED.
FINE. NO PROBLEM. YOU ONLY HAVE TO ASK.
GB Trudeau
5-11
ZONKER, CAN WE GO IN NOW?
THE SUN'S GETTING PRETTY HOT, Z.
JUST A FEW MINUTES MORE.
I'M A FERN, Z. I CAN'T TAKE THE MIDDAY SUN.
BESIDES, WE THOUGHT YOU GAVE UP TANNING, ZONKER..
I DID. I'M NOT A PROBLEM TANNER ANYMORE. I JUST CATCH A RAY OR TWO FROM TIME TO TIME.
THEN HOW COME WE'VE BEEN OUT HERE FIVE HOURS?
I CAN HANDLE IT! GET OFF MY BACK!
SOMEBODY GET A HOSE.
GB Trudeau
5-12
WHAT A PEACH OF A DAY! LOOK HOW LUSH AND CONTENT ALL THE OUTDOOR PLANTS ARE. WHAT A GRAND LIFE THEY LEAD!
SOMETIMES I ENVY THEM, ZONKER. SOMETIMES I'D GIVE ANYTHING TO JOIN THEM.
BUT YOU'RE NOT A TEMPERATE ZONE PLANT, SAL. YOU'D NEVER MAKE IT OUT THERE.
I KNOW, ZONKER, BUT I'M JUST SO TIRED OF LIFE ON THE RUN, OF BEING CONSTANTLY MOVED FROM ROOM TO ROOM, BEING POTTED AND RE-POTTED. I'M GETTING TOO OLD FOR ALL THAT.
FRANKLY, ZONK, I'M READY TO SET DOWN SOME ROOTS.
I DUNNO, SAL. IT'S A JUNGLE OUT THERE.
GB Trudeau
5-13
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Drugs at Hamilton

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It is difficult to asses the extent of drug use at Hamilton. Most students seem to have had at least some experience with drugs, but use varies from individuals who rarely or never smoke marijuana to those whose social activities revolve around the use of cocaine.

Most students do not consider drugs, on the whole, to be a problem. However, some feel that the extent of the use of cocaine, which, according to one source, is the "major drug on campus," is rapidly becoming a problem. As one students affirms, "Among certain groups of people there is very extensive use." Another student stated, "There is no drug abuse problem, but there is a whole social circle centered around cocaine. That's the only thing that I don't like." Dr. Muilenberg feels that "coke is no longer the trendy, fashionable drug it was two years ago, but there is still more coke on this campus than I wish there would be. The economy will probably take care of that." He also asserts that "over the years we have had occasional heroin users. I would not feel confident saying there are none on campus now. We have many city-oriented students — there may be a connection." However, he is not aware of the existence of any heroin users on campus this year.

Assistant Professor of Speech Gary Lafleur feels that if drugs are being abused it is being done privately, although he does sense that there is "a lot of cocaine on campus." In the midst of long conversations with students he has heard that "there is plenty of coke, speed and ludes" within the college community. He considers the reasons that some students use drugs to be peer pressure and the desire to "escape the confinement of Clinton."

For some drug-users, the college environment has stimulated involvement with narcotics. One student commented, "I do more drugs here because there is so much more time when you're sitting around. At home you generally have a car and are more mobile. Here you sit around and there's not much else to do." Conversely, other students have found that the novelty of drugs wears off in an environment that tends to decrease the risk of "getting caught." One student stated, "up here you lose the sense of illegalness of it. You can smoke with the door open and not worry about the cops." One student claims that she "gave it up after freshman year. It wasn't around as much and alcohol is more available."

The major consensus is that there is relatively little peer pressure to use or reject drugs. As one students stated, "No one has ever told me, 'come on, do drugs,' but if I wanted to I don't think there'd be any problem." Many students feel that the pressure to use drugs has been much more prevalent in high school.

Rosalind Hoffa's job as assistant dean of students provides her with the right to search rooms. However, she stated that "it is not my practice to make room searches." In the event that such a search was being considered, it would "depend on the circumstances and source of information." Nonetheless, she affirms that selling drugs is illegal and the college has the right to deal with it through the law.

Dr. Muilenberg declared, "Drugs are illegal." We should take a much firmer stand — should communicate to the students what we will and will not tolerate. We have not done enough as an administration." He believes that "students dealing in drugs should be expelled. Suspension is not a strong enough statement."

LaFleur, however, asserted that better communication between students and faculty would be the only effective means of dealing with the drug problem, if one exists. He feels that increasing the role of security is "not the approach."

For the most part, the faculty seems to be oblivious to any drug problem that might exist at Hamilton. Although several, such as John Bowers, "have confidence that it exists," they do not know anything about it.

by Lauren Picker

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Barbituates

("downers") — Users of downers often encounter depression, tremors, hypotension, respiratory collapse and sedation. An overdose may result in shock or even coma. The user may experience confusion, slurred speech, convulsions and an inability to coordinate voluntary muscular movements. Withdrawal symptoms include tremors, insomnia, perspiration, fever, chronic blinking, agitation, delirium, hallucinations, shock, and cardiovascular collapse.

Cocaine

("coke") - Cocaine may cause unusual excitement, edginess, or emotional instability. Cocaine's physical effects are similar to those of other stimulants such as amphetamines. As usage increases, so does the threat of paranoia and hallucinations. There is some evidence that indicates that snorting cocaine destroys nasal tissues, but the studies are not sufficiently long term to make any definite conclusions. While not physically addicting, cocaine is psychologically addicting.

Glue Sniffing

Those who sniff glue become delirious and suffer from hallucinations. Excessive use of glue may result in liver damage or cardio-respiratory collapse.

LSD ("acid")

Mescaline, PCP, STP

LSD users experience visual hallucinations, unusual anxiety and distorted sensory perception. Blood pressure, temperature and heart rate all increase. Pupils become dilated, the pulse quickens and the user perspires heavily. Attitudes of hostility and negativism are increased.

An overdose may result in an exaggerated state of euphoria, paranoid thought disorder, illusions and visual hallucinations. The user may experience time and visual distortions and temporarily lose his or her sense of identity. Unlike other drugs, there are no withdrawal symptoms with this drug.

Marijuana

("grass," "pot") — Pot may distort one's perception and produce dry mouth and/or mild hypotension. An overdose of marijuana increases the appetite and cause time-space distortions. One who has overdosed can be so euphoric that he or she appears to be in a dreamy, fantasy state. Withdrawal symptoms include anorexia, nausea, insomnia, restlessness and irritability.

What are the long range effects of marijana smoking? It may depress testicular function. Dr. Gabriel G. Nahas writes, "Controlled studies in man have shown that the daily inhalation of the drug decreases the quantity as well as the quality of the sperm..." Other studies have linked pot to possible brain damage or to lung cancer.

However, in June of 1980, the Harvard Medical School Health Letter issued a report on marijuana use. They found no evidence of marijuana use permanently damaging the brain, or of to what extent marijuana smoking creates a risk of lung cancer. The report did state that marijuana use can decrease the production of sperm, but added that the effects are temporary and reversible.

There have been a number of reports testifying to the harmful effects of marijuana. Conversely, there have been a number of studies which claim the opposite. Debate rages on, but as Dr. George Miller, director of the health center states, "The data is still not sufficiently long term to say with confidence" what the long range effects of marijuana are.

Methaqualone

(Quaaludes) — Users suffer from the same effects as other barbituates. Most notably, quaaludes produce muscle spasticity, anorexia, nauses, and possibly coma.

Opilates, Heroin

("smack") — Psychological effects of heroin include stupor and disorientation. An overdose may result in respiratory depression, coma, pulmonary edema (abnormal accumulation of fluid in the lungs), and constipation. Withdrawal symptoms are particularly acute -muscle jerks, flu syndrome, vomiting, diarrhea and tremors are just some of the withdrawal reactions.

Drug use is not without its risks.

The college does not condone the possession, use, or distribution of illegal drugs. And **A guide to the Policies and Procedures of Hamilton College** states: "While concerned with the problems created for individual students, the College cannot ignore the legal context surrounding these drugs."

If a student is discovered using, distributing or possessing illegal drugs, the consequences are serious. The Judiciary Board will hear cases involving illicit drugs — possession or use may result in removal from the college, while distribution of drugs results in automatic expulsion from Hamilton College.

Troubles may not end there. Although the police usually consult with Dean of Students Melvin Endy before entering the campus, Endy asserts that he will not set up any barriers nor impede in any way attempts by the police to make an arrest.

The foundation of much of the nation's drug laws is the Narcotic Drug Control Act, enacted in 1951. The act calls for a mandatory five to ten year sentence for a second offense of narcotics possession, and a ten to forty year sentence for a third offense. Until recently, marijuana was also considered a narcotic.

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More serious offenses may result in a prison sentence. People who are convicted of felony offenses — usually sale or cultivation — can lose much more. Some examples of this are the loss of the right to vote, hold public office or serve on a jury. In some instances, employers have tried to disqualify people for certain jobs.

Even arrests have serious consequences. Federal statutes allow vehicles used to transport marijuana, or land used to grow marijuana, to be seized by the federal government even before a conviction. It is then up to the individual to prove that the property was not involved. In the armed forces, one can be discharged simply on the basis of a urine test; no other evidence is necessary. The consequences of a marijuana arrest are serious. For other drugs, the results may be catastrophic.

However, NORML has achieved some results in its attempts to lessen the severity of many marijuana laws. Marijuana has been decriminalized in Alaska, California, Colorado, Maine, Minnesota, Mississippi, Nebraska, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, and Oregon. The government has had to abandon plans for the expansion of the paraquat spraying program as a result of NORML's efforts. The group has also assisted in the passage of legislation allowing marijuana to be used as medicine in over 25 states.

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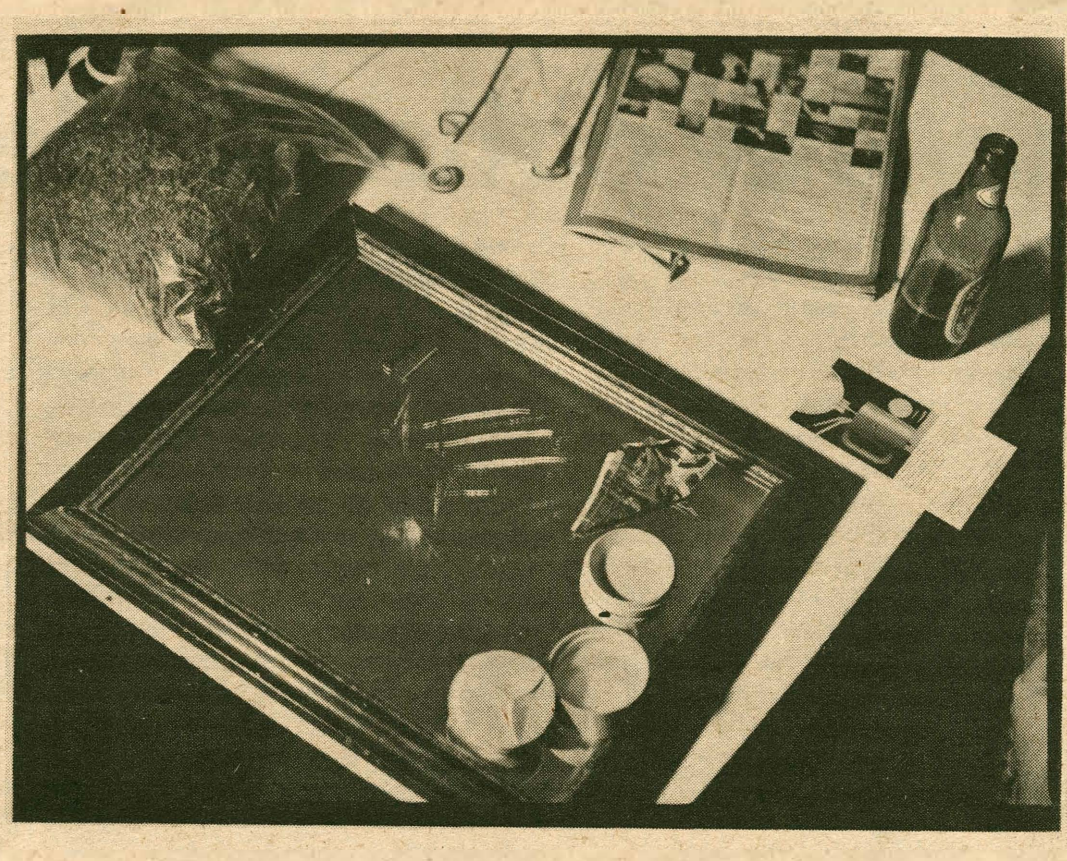

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Barbituates

("downers") — Users of downers often encounter depression, tremors, hypotension, respiratory collapse and sedation. An overdose may result in shock or even coma. The user may experience confusion, slurred speech, convulsions and an inability to coordinate voluntary muscular movements. Withdrawal symptoms include tremors, insomnia, perspiration, fever, chronic blinking, agitation, delirium, hallucinations, shock, and cardiovascular collapse.

Cocaine

("coke") - Cocaine may cause unusual excitement, edginess, or emotional instability. Cocaine's physical effects are similar to those of other stimulants such as amphetamines. As usage increases, so does the threat of paranoia and hallucinations. There is some evidence that indicates that snorting cocaine destroys nasal tissues, but the studies are not sufficiently long term to make any definite conclusions. While not physically addicting, cocaine is psychologically addicting.

Glue Sniffing

Those who sniff glue become delirious and suffer from hallucinations. Excessive use of glue may result in liver damage or cardio-respiratory collapse.

LSD ("acid")

Mescaline, PCP, STP

LSD users experience visual hallucinations, unusual anxiety and distorted sensory perception. Blood pressure, temperature and heart rate all increase. Pupils become dilated, the pulse quickens and the user perspires heavily. Attitudes of hostility and negativism are increased.

An overdose may result in an exaggerated state of euphoria, paranoid thought disorder, illusions and visual hallucinations. The user may experience time and visual distortions and temporarily lose his or her sense of identity. Unlike other drugs, there are no withdrawal symptoms with this drug.

Marijuana

("grass," "pot") — Pot may distort one's perception and produce dry mouth and/or mild hypotension. An overdose of marijuana increases the appetite and cause time-space distortions. One who has overdosed can be so euphoric that he or she appears to be in a dreamy, fantasy state. Withdrawal symptoms include anorexia, nausea, insomnia, restlessness and irritability.

What are the long range effects of marijana smoking? It may depress testicular function. Dr. Gabriel G. Nahas writes, "Controlled studies in man have shown that the daily inhalation of the drug decreases the quantity as well as the quality of the sperm..." Other studies have linked pot to possible brain damage or to lung cancer.

However, in June of 1980, the Harvard Medical School Health Letter issued a report on marijuana use. They found no evidence of marijuana use permanently damaging the brain, or of to what extent marijuana smoking creates a risk of lung cancer. The report did state that marijuana use can decrease the production of sperm, but added that the effects are temporary and reversible.

There have been a number of reports testifying to the harmful effects of marijuana. Conversely, there have been a number of studies which claim the opposite. Debate rages on, but as Dr. George Miller, director of the health center states, "The data is still not sufficiently long term to say with confidence" what the long range effects of marijuana are.

Methaqualone

(Quaaludes) — Users suffer from the same effects as other barbituates. Most notably, quaaludes produce muscle spasticity, anorexia, nauses, and possibly coma.

Opilates, Heroin

("smack") — Psychological effects of heroin include stupor and disorientation. An overdose may result in respiratory depression, coma, pulmonary edema (abnormal accumulation of fluid in the lungs), and constipation. Withdrawal symptoms are particularly acute -muscle jerks, flu syndrome, vomiting, diarrhea and tremors are just some of the withdrawal reactions.

Drug use is not without its risks.

The college does not condone the possession, use, or distribution of illegal drugs. And **A guide to the Policies and Procedures of Hamilton College** states: "While concerned with the problems created for individual students, the College cannot ignore the legal context surrounding these drugs."

If a student is discovered using, distributing or possessing illegal drugs, the consequences are serious. The Judiciary Board will hear cases involving illicit drugs — possession or use may result in removal from the college, while distribution of drugs results in automatic expulsion from Hamilton College.

Troubles may not end there. Although the police usually consult with Dean of Students Melvin Endy before entering the campus, Endy asserts that he will not set up any barriers nor impede in any way attempts by the police to make an arrest.

The foundation of much of the nation's drug laws is the Narcotic Drug Control Act, enacted in 1951. The act calls for a mandatory five to ten year sentence for a second offense of narcotics possession, and a ten to forty year sentence for a third offense. Until recently, marijuana was also considered a narcotic.

However, marijuana possession can still become troublesome. Last year, 400,000 people were arrested for marijuana offenses. More than $3 billion in law enforcement resources is spent annually on marijuana arrests and prosecution, according to the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws (NORML). According to Section 80:05 of the New York State Penal Code, conviction of a misdemeanor for possession of marijuana, depending on the amount, may result in the following fines: a Class A misdemeanor, a $1000 maximum fine; a Class B misdemeanor, a $500 maximum fine; and a unclassified misdemeanor, a $250 maximum fine.

More serious offenses may result in a prison sentence. People who are convicted of felony offenses — usually sale or cultivation — can lose much more. Some examples of this are the loss of the right to vote, hold public office or serve on a jury. In some instances, employers have tried to disqualify people for certain jobs.

Even arrests have serious consequences. Federal statutes allow vehicles used to transport marijuana, or land used to grow marijuana, to be seized by the federal government even before a conviction. It is then up to the individual to prove that the property was not involved. In the armed forces, one can be discharged simply on the basis of a urine test; no other evidence is necessary. The consequences of a marijuana arrest are serious. For other drugs, the results may be catastrophic.

However, NORML has achieved some results in its attempts to lessen the severity of many marijuana laws. Marijuana has been decriminalized in Alaska, California, Colorado, Maine, Minnesota, Mississippi, Nebraska, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, and Oregon. The government has had to abandon plans for the expansion of the paraquat spraying program as a result of NORML's efforts. The group has also assisted in the passage of legislation allowing marijuana to be used as medicine in over 25 states.

by Tom Griggs

How the college views drugs

Administrators, faculty and members of the Health Center staff hold a wide spectrum of views on the existence and extent of drug abuse on the hill. Several members of the faculty were reticent about voicing their views too openly and preferred to speak "off the record," if at all. Others willingly spoke, yet emphasized that their perceptions were based largely upon conjecture.

Betsy Adams, assistant director of the Career Center, psychological counselor and a past assistant dean of student affairs, believes that, "although not very many people seem to overuse illegal drugs," her impression is that "there may be a lot of coke circulating around this campus. It seems to be the in thing to do at certain parties." Adams, who referred to drug use as a "social ritual," emphasizes that she may not be in a position to evaluate the extent of drug use or abuse at Hamilton. Adams states, "Among the students I see there are very few drug problems. My 'clients' are predominantly women and among women the peer norms are less based on proving something. Women seem to have a little more flexibility. For example, it's cool for guys to get smashed, but women do not necessariliy adhere to the same values."

Adams notes that the administration's reaction to and handling of individual instances of drug abuse and dealing would depend on the case and the evidence. However, she asserts, "We should be concerned with drug use whether only ten percent of the student body uses drugs or they are used in epidemic proportions, although I would be surprised if it were of epidemic proportion."

The topic of dealing or possessing a large quantity of drugs invokes in many students the memory of an event which occurred two years ago involving a search of a dormitory room by administrators from the student affairs office in response to students irritated by the alleged "enterprise."

Adams dismisses allegations of student spies as student paranoia. "I can say clusively that there were no spies when I was a dean and I can be 100 percent sure that the same holds true now." Despite the large protest concerning the accused violation of students' rights to privacy, Adams admits that, if necessary, she would support a similar investigation. "The institution does not have to go through the J-Board. I would have no qualms about doing it again. The bad thing is that we only get the little fishes and the sharks do business as usual. The institution has a right to search out drug dealers in cases with convincing evidence in which state or federal law, the safety, health or welfare of others would be involved."

Adams believe there is a lot to be said for an approach employed by an administrator when she was a student at Oberlin College. "The administrator showed up at the room of a couple of girls on his way to work at 8:30 a.m. and said; Look, I know what you are doing, and if I know, who else do you think knows? What are we going to do about it?"

Does Hamilton deal with drug use adequately? Adams insists that the first step must be to discern whether or not drugs are being abused. "We must ask ourselves, is it a problem, and if so, what percentage. Students should tell us what they want done in the way of an information resource, and how we can be supportive." Adams suggests that since drugs are a part of an "underground student culture" perhaps information on the risks involved should be distrbuted by students to students. She insists that we "must approach drug abuse from an educational and supportive orientation rather than a punitive angle. The student who uses drugs should be informed as to how a drug might affect him or her with regard to weight, diet, metabolism, etc."

Adams' associate on the counseling staff, Donald Muilenberg, psychological counselor, has been practicing at Hamilton College since 1968, the same year that Kirkland College opened. He says that he was witnessed several phases of drug use here. According to Muilenberg, there was a drug problem at Hamilton in 1968 and there exists a drug problem in 1982; however, the motivation for using drugs has changed, and certain drugs which were popular in 1968 are no longer used as frequently — although they have been replaced.

Muilenberg commented at great length on the changing social climate at Hamilton and the development of student attitudes towards drugs within the last decade and a half. He states, "In the late sixties, early seventies, the biggest problems were from LSD. Now strong hallucinogens are less attractive, but there used to be a real sense of excitement about these drugs. People believed that LSD brought spiritual understanding and insight. The drug cult was part of the anti-establishment movement."

"In 1970 we had one or two cases every weekend in which people had really imperiled their health with drugs. The vast majority of the students I saw had bad trips induced by LSD and were in real need of psychological assistance and support. I would encourage them to involve themselves in counseling or psychotherapy — the majority of them failed to do so."

Muilenberg added that some students were not regular drug users. They were motivated by curiosity and the controversy which surrounded the use of LSD.

In the early seventies the student body invited Timothy Leary, the Harvard "drug guru" to speak at Hamilton. Initially, Muilenberg was enraged by the idea of Leary encouraging an already unhealthy situation. Yet students were disgusted by Leary's inability to field questions, and his obvious lack of lucidity only helped to further Muilenberg's cause.

According to Muilenberg, by the mid-seventies the excitement surrounding the use of LSD was gone." Although cocaine may have attained a comparable amount of popularity, it is "no longer the trendy, fashionable drug it was two years ago." Muilenberg adds, "there is still more coke on this campus than I wish there would be. The economy will probably take care of that." Muilenberg surmises that a wide variety of drugs have been used on this campus over the last decade. "Over the years we have had occassional heroin users. I would not feel confident saying there are none on campus now. We have many city oriented students...and there may be a connection. However, I am not aware of any heroin users this year."

Muilenberg advocates a hard-line approach by the administration against drug dealers; however, he stresses that any student who discusses drug activities, either dealing or using, with him can expect total confidentiality. Muilenberg states, "I am disappointed in that since I've come here my impression has been that Hamilton should represent only the better part of society. Drugs are illegal. We should take a much firmer stand...we should communicate to the students what we will and will not tolerate...we have not done enough as an administration." Muilenberg adds that "we need to do more about searching out people who deal in coke and acid...We must look at the needs of the total community. Students dealing in drugs should be expelled...suspension is not a strong enough statement."

Dr. George Miller, the director of the Health Center, believes that drug use at Hamilton is far less prevalent than reported at other colleges. Miller believes that there is a moderate amount of marijuana being smoked, yet he does not regard the problem as needing medical attention. Furthermore, he does not see the use of drugs at Hamilton to have caused many health problems. He states, "We see very few students who would come to us because of ill effects."

Melvin Endy, the associate dean of the college and the dean of student affairs, believes that there must be a sub-culture at the college who are the primary users of drugs. Yet, he has no empirical data, "It just does not come up." He asserts that he is unaware of any anti-social behavior caused by the use of drugs and that he has no reports from professors of students attending class stoned.

Rosalind Hoffa, the assistant dean of student affairs, says that she is aware of drug use on campus. However, if there is drug abuse, it has not been brought to her attention. Concerning possible future room searches, Hoffa says, "It is not my practice to make room searches. It is my job and I have the right to do it if the circumstances are such, but the search, of course, would depend on circumstances and the source of information...Selling drugs is illegal. The school has the right to deal with it through the law."

by Lisa Tannenbaum

Getting help

If you perceive yourself as having a problem with any of the drugs mentioned in this series of articles, or with any drugs at all (including alcohol), there is some place for you to turn for help. Dr. Muhlenberg, the clinical psychologist, would be a good person to contact. Dr. Miller, the director of the Health Center, strongly recommends someone with a drug problem to see Dr. Muhlenberg. Drug use, he feels, is an emotional problem and requires long-term counseling. He spoke about the creation of a peer counseling group which would steer students into channels to allow help. Students, Dr. Miller feels, are more likely to know about drug problems and subsequently will be able to help each other to an even greater degree. The plan for a peer group is still in the formative stage, but it could become an important facet in the counseling department at Hamilton.

Outside the community options also exist. Most notably The Insight House located on Rutgers Street in Utica. This state-funded organization is focused entirely on drug rehabilitation and counseling. According to Sharon Cozza, a representative of Insight House, they sponsor a 24 hour hotline and offer individual counseling that is free and totally confidential.

Insight House has been around since 1971 and is available to all those who are seeking aid, and the staff is well qualified and experienced. The House is not very well advertised as most people are referred to the house from other sources. However, it should be considered a viable alternative and one of the very few in this area.

by Dan Connolly

Sports
The Hamilton College Spectator

Lacrosse finishes season at 12-1

Hamilton on the attack.

After sweeping their first three games this week, boosting their record to 12-0, the Hamilton Lacrosse team was stopped in its quest for an undefeated season by losing to a tough RIT squad on Thursday. The Continentals 12-1 record represents the best season the lacrosse program has had in 33 years.

On Tuesday, the team downed Alfred 10-7 in a game that made-up the cancelled game with Alfred on April 8. Before a large home crowd, the Continentals fell behind 1-0 in the first period, as Alfred's Brian Stevenson put one by goalie Bob Ballou. Then Hamilton took control of the contest. Caugie Burkhart tied the game with a bouncer from the middle, and then the Continentals took the lead for good when, after a fine Carter Kennedy clear, Fritz Minges converted a Bob Howe pass with a shot into the upper corner at 11:57 of the period.

Howe then scored his first of the contest as he took a fine John O'Brien feed and bounced one home for a 3-1 lead. Burkhart then put on a show. On an extra-man situation, he scored from the left with a bounce pass. Then he won the ensuing face-off, streaked down the right side, and gave Hamilton a 5-1 lead with his third goal of the game. Alfred sandwiched two goals around a Carter Kennedy tally, and the half ended at 7-3.

Alfred, a team that has been plagued by bad luck all year, did come back strong in the third period, outscoring the Continentals 3-0, and slicing the lead to 7-6.

The Continentals regained their composure in the final period, as John O'Brien took charge. He set up Burkhart's fourth goal of the game with a fine pass after faking past two opponents. Then he widened the lead himself to 9-6, as he intercepted an attempted clear by Alfred and then shot it by the hapless goalie. Howe scored an insurance goal at 6:02, while Alfred added a late goal for the 10-7 final. Hamilton goalie Bob Ballou registered nineteen saves en route to his eleventh win of the year.

On Monday, the Continentals beat Oswego 8-4 at Oswego, taking an early lead and then coasting to the win. O'Brien, who scored three times on the day, opened the scoring at 2:33 of the first period, and the Continentals really came on in the second period, scoring five times for a 6-0 half-time advantage. Minges, Mark Isaf, O'Brien again, Howe, Kennedy, and Mike Mardiney all pumped in goals by Mark Mancini and two by Steve Dorax, to close to within 6-3 after the third period. But again the veteran O'Brien stilled the rally with his third goal early in the fourth period off a nice feed from Howe. Burkhart closed out the Hamilton scoring, while Oswego got one more from Mancini.

Last Saturday, the Continentals displayed their offensive magic in front of a large home crowd, as they defeated Union 15-0. The Continentals broke open a close

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Midfield action.

Lax over .500

by Wendy Suslak

The women's lacrosse team brought their season to a successful close this week, defeating Skidmore 11-5 and Union 11-2. "They were two of our best-played games all season," stated coach Spencer.

While Monday's game against Skidmore was close for about the first ten minutes, "we dominated for the rest of the game, shutting down their offense totally," remarked Spencer. She also commended the team on their tremendous all-around performance and overall teamwork.

In Thursday's game against Union, outstanding play and domination was repeated in what coach Spencer described as "the peak game of the season." Betsy Graham scored 6 of the 11 Hamilton goals, whie Jenny Strawbridge scored 2 goals and made 5 assists. The remaining goals were scored by Doris Moeller (3) and Julie Munn (1).

The team finished off their season with a 6-5 record. Looking back, Spencer noted their fantastic improvement, which she attributed to the acquiring of experience and the opportunity to practice outdoors as the season progressed. Since the only two seniors on the team are defensewomen, Karen McNeil and Ellen Minor, she looks forward to an even stronger season next year.

In closing, Spencer stated that this was "the most rewarding season we have ever had, due to the strong team cooperation, dedication, and spirit." She was also pleased with the inauguration of the JV program and expressed her gratitude to Meggin Crowley for all her help with it.

Baseball drops 4

by John Webber

Hamilton's baseball team, after a dramatic extra inning victory over Rochester Institute of Techonology, lost four consecutive games, dropping their record to 6-8. According to coach Andy Guzzetti, "We played poor baseball, mentally and physically."

The first game of the double-header against RPI last Saturday was a classic late-inning squeaker. The contest went back and forth through the first seven innings. The Continentals capitalized on the hot hitting of lead-off hitter Kevin Hayden and Dave Bonzerato, both scoring runs in the first and third. Then, in the eighth, with the score tied at five apiece, Ray Santerini reached base on an error. Two outs later, Guzzetti sent pinch hitter John Steffy to the plate. Steffy explained, "He grooved the first pitch and I just made good contact with it." Indeed, Steffy drilled the ball to left center field for a triple, driving in Santerini with the winning run. Tim Kelleher picked up the pitching win, relieving Jim Taylor in the seventh inning, and holding RIT to one in two innings.

The second game appeared to be a carbon-copy of the first when Hamilton staged a comeback in the bottom of the last inning, but this time the rally fell short, 4-3. Trailing 4-1, Tom Arcuri led off with a walk and Kyle MacCullum followed with a clutch single to left field. After two walks and a passed ball scored two runs, Steffy once again pinch hit with the winning run on base. "Miracles couldn't happen twice in the same day, although we came awfully close," Steffy commented. "I hit a sharp grounder up the middle but the pitcher made a nice stop." Hamilton had lost its momentum as the last two batters struck out, leaving two runners stranded.

Against Union, Hamilton jumped out to a quick 6-0 lead, but saw it disappear as Union tagged three Continental pitchers for ten runs in the middle three innings. Hamilton's pitching problems continued into their doubleheader with St. Lawrence. SLU destroyed the Continentals in the first game 20-3. The Saints capped their scoring with a grand-slam home run in the seventh inning. "We were simply beaten physically in the first game," observed Guzzetti.

Dom Caruso started the second game for Hamilton . Despite a seven-hitter by the big lefthander, the Saints scored five runs, three on Continental errors and two on a home run in the third. The home run, along with the one in the first game, was a shot that landed several feet onto the top of the hill (the "green monster") in left field. Hamilton could manage only two runs in the contest, taking their forth straight loss, 5-2.

The Continentals have two games left, Thursday at Binghamton and Friday against Hobart at Royce Field. Their chances for a .500 season rest on their performance in the next two games. Guzzetti believes that they "match up well to both teams. If we can minimize our mental mistakes, we should be able to win."

Caruso to Arturi for the out.

'Shrooms vs. Gears

by Mike McGuire

A thirteen run first inning outburst and the timely late inning fielding of first baseman Bill Bunke propelled Chongo's Shroom Dog Army into tonight's intramural softball final. After jumping out to the early lead, the Shroom Dog Army's defense, led by the solid outfield of senior Dan Rubin, sophomores Todd Danforth and Tom Sweeny, along with the leadership of shortstop captain John Webber, held on to spank the previously undefeated Last Year's Champs team, 16-11. Chongo's Army, who made the playoffs in the last day of the regular season, was a clear underdog to the more experienced Champs.

Led by Captain Kevin Garvin the Champs, who had not lost in two seasons, fell behind 13-0 in the first inning and could not erase the large deficit. A late inning rally, spurred by a bases loaded triple by John Kiffel, was thwarted as first baseman Bill Bunke made two consecutive stabs, robbing Al Schmiedeker and Clark Green of RBI doubles.

The 7-4 Shroomdogs will face the 8-2 Gears tonight. The Gears, led by Brian "Buck" Day, won the right to the finals by defeating Armageddon 13-4. 'We played good sound defensive ball," Day observed, "everyone hit well, notably Gary Kramer. Day also acknowledged the "irreplacable inspiration that Ed Whitehead provides by playing in pain."

In the Division B softball final last night, Tom Griggs' C.M.S. defeated The Horror by the score of 12-3.

Track closes with 4-2 record

Adam Harder

The Hamilton College Women's track team closed out the 1982 spring season with a narrow loss to RIT on May 4 at Rochester, dropping their record to 4-2.

Coach Janice Savitz and her team arrived at RIT expecting to compete in a dual meet, but instead found Geneseo and Niagara also there to compete. "We weren't expecting two other women's teams to be there, much less men's teams from Buffalo State and Niagara. The order of events that we ran was very interesting, to say the least, and the meet lasted much longer than we had planned. However, we were able to defeat Geneseo (63 points) and Niagara (1 point), and were only beaten by two points by RIT (88-86)."

Leading the way for the women was double winner Kim Swank in the 1500 meter (5:10.0) and the 800 meter (2:30.0, personal best). With her win at RIT, Swank ended the season undefeated in the 1500 meter in dual meets. She also set two new records in the 800 meter and 1500 meter runs. Her time of 5:08.0 earlier in the season lowered the previous record in the 1500 meter of 5:14.3 by more than six seconds and her 2:30.0 in the 800 meter at RIT bettered the old record by 12 seconds.

Also winning in the RIT meet for Hamilton were Linda Doyle (discus, 30.37 meters) and the four members of the 800 meter medley relay: Lori Richardson, Doyle, Kathy O'Connor, and Swank. Savitz commented, "The four girls probably ran their best times of the season in the relay. Kim anchored with the 400 meter with 1:07.5, which would have placed in the open 400 meter."

Placing second for the Continentals in the meet were O'Connor (high jump), Richardson (shot put), Cindy Pensock (5000 meter), Janice Jannuzi (100 meter hurdles), and Lynn Thomas (400 meter). Savitz pointed out that Pensock had a long and busy day at RIT, placing second in the 5000 meter, third in the 3000 meter, and fourth in the 1500 meter.

Four Hamilton outdoor metric records fell during the season. Swank now holds the 800 meter and the 1500 meter records. Pensock shattered the existing 5000 meter record by nearly three minutes, lowering the old record of 22:58.0 to 19:56.0. She also broke the existing 3000 meter record of 14:17.0 by over two minutes with an 11:56.0.

Although not competing in the Eastern Regional, Swank (1500 meter), O'Connor (100 meter), Richardson, Michelle Bonitto, Doyle, and O'Connor (400 meter relay) all qualified. Both Pensock (5000 meter) and Doyle (discus) qualified for the state meet past the deadline and were unable to compete.

Savitz conceivably should have her entire team back next year, as no seniors are on the squad. "We should be even better next year. During the season we showed steady improvement, with lots of women competing in several events to help the team. I was pleased with our winning season and hope to have everyone back next year."

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Track sends 2 to nationals, 12 to states

Adam Harder

The men's varsity track team closed out the spring season with a 96½-56½ victory over visiting RPI on Tuesday. The win upped the team's record to 6-3. Twelve athletes have qualified to compete in the state meet, which is being held today and tomorrow (May 7-8) at Union College. Also, two members of the track team will travel to North Central College in Illinois to compete in the NCAA Division III National Meet during the wekend of May 24-26.

The win over RPI marked the first time in nine years that the Continentals have been able to defeat the Engineers. Leading Hamilton with points in the meet were co-captain Ron Simmons (16½ points, 4 first), Vinny O'Neill (11¼ points, 3 first), and Tyrone Dumas (8½ points). Coach Gene Long pointed out that Ron Simmons again led the team with points, as he has done all season. Long also pointed out the strong performances turned in by Scott Amoys, co-captain Dan Mara, and Dave Gordon. "Scott qualified for states in the 200 meter, Mara had a personal best in the shotput, and Dave performed smoothly in the triple jump and surprised a lot of people with his third place finish in the high jump," commented Long.

Winners for Hamilton against RPI were Pete Sheehan (high jump), Ron Simmons (long jump, 100 meter, 200 meter, 440 yard relay), Tom Lambdin (hammer throw), Vinny O'Neill (110 meter hurdles, 400 meter hurdles, 440 yard relay), Todd Jones (5000 meter run), Tyrone Dumas (400 meter run, mile relay), Mike Leak (mile relay), Mike MacLaughlin (mile relay) and Aeon Cummings (mile relay).

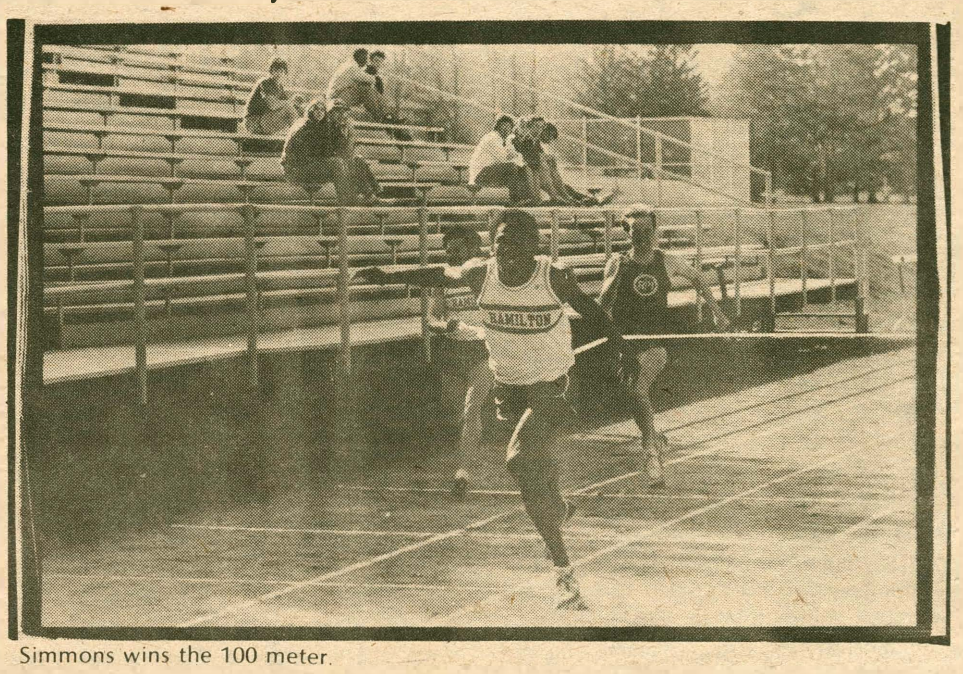
The meet's outcome did not surprise Long nor the team. Prior predictions by Long and team members had Hamilton scoring between 95 and 102 points, with 78 points the number necessary for a win. The Continentals outscored the Engineers 35-27 in the field, and held a 28½-7½ lead on the track after just five running events. Strong events for Hamilton were the hammer throw (9-0 sweep), the sprints (100 meter, 200 meter, 400 meter; 22½ out of a possible 27 points), and the two relays (two wins, 10 points).

Qualified for the state meet are Ron Simmons (100 meter, 200 meter, and long jump), Scott Amoys (200 meter), Tyrone Dumas (400 meter), Aeon Cummings (200 meter), Pete Tortolani (3000 meter steeplechase), Vinny O'Neill (400 meter intermediate hurdles), Tom Lambdin (hammer throw), Eric Goller (hammer throw), Mike Sullivan (discus), Steve Morrison (javelin), and Adam Harder (pole vault). Against RPI, Pete Sheehan met the qualification for the high jump, but will be able to compete only if he is granted a request for late entry by the Games Committee. "We have a legitimate late entry request, I feel," states Long. "Pete did not compete until after the registration deadline due to a knee injury, but with his jump of 6 feet 4 inches against RPI, he clearly has made a quick recovery."

Long was extremely pleased with the victory over RPI on May 4. "The victory was the difference between a mediocre 5-4 record, and a 6-3 record that is more respectable. The victory also clearly shows the culmination of a significantly improved track team. I hope it bodes well for next year, although we are losing two outstanding performers in Ron Simmons and Tyrone Dumas."

Along with a 6-3 record, the Continentals shattered 11 existing metric records in 11 events. Ron Simmons lowered the 100 meter record twice — from 10.9 seconds to 10.8 seconds, and finally to 10.6 seconds which qualified him for nationals. Simmons also tied the 200 meter record at 21.9. Tyrone Dumas broke the existing 400 meter mark of 50.9 seconds — first bettering it to 50.7 seconds and then to 49.7 seconds against Hartwick. Jim Rest lowered the 800 meter mark from 1:58.6 to 1:58.2. Pete Tortolani took nearly 2 seconds of the existing 300 meter steeplechase time — from 9:51.8 to 9:49.9 in the first meet of the season against Union. The 110 meter high hurdle mark was first tied by Bernie Scozzafava (16.2) and then bettered by Vinny O'Neill, who had held the old record at 16.2. Pete Sheehan upped the metric record in the high jump to 1.93 meters, while both the 400 meter relay and the 1600 meter relay times were bettered. The team of Tyrone Dumas, Scott Amoye, Ron Simmons, and Vinny O'Neill lowered the record from 44.0 to 43.7. The 1600 meter relay team of Mike MacLaughlin, Tyrone Dumas, Vinny O'Neill, and Ron Simons lowered the existing record from 3:26.8 to 3:24.1. Triple-jumper Dave Gordon now holds the metric record at 12.64 meters. Finally, Tom Lambdin progressively bettered his own record in the hammer throw to 47.84 meters and a trip to nationals. In the only home meet of the year (RPI, May 4), 9 Steuben Field metric records fell — 6 to the Continentals.

Ron Simmons and Tom Lambdin will travel to Illinois in the fourth week in May to compete in the NCAA Division III national Track an Field Meet. Lambdin qualified for the hammer throw in the very first meet of the 1982 spring season against Union, and has been training hard the last three weeks in order to peak at the nationals. Simmons qualified for the meet in the 100 meter dash against Hartwick on April 28. With the state meet left, he also has a very good chance to qualify in the 200 meter (just 1/10 of a second off the 21.9 mark against Hartwick on a curve) and an outside chance to meet the standard in the long jump. Long commented that it is the first time in 29 years that two Continentals have qualified for this meet.



Simmons wins the 100 meter.

Lacrosse finishes at 12-1

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game with explosive second and third quarters to hold off powerful Union.

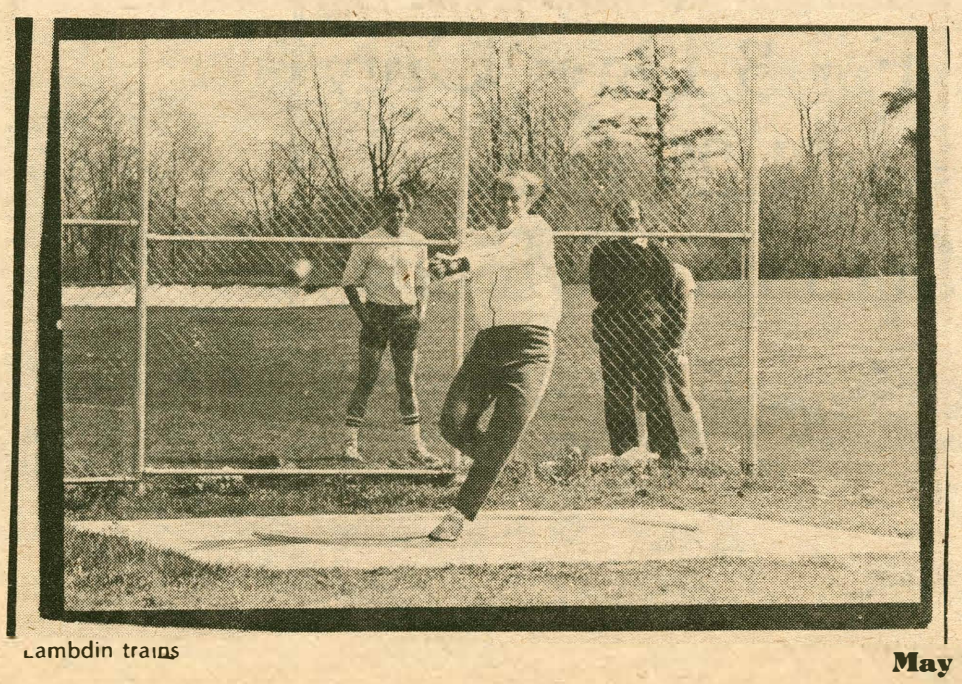
Joe Eludin staked Union to an early 1-0 lead at 12:21, but Burkhart countered with a goal minutes later to knot the contest. Through a defensive lapse, Union took a 2-1 lead late in the period. Burkhart set up Howe, who scored near the end of the period to tie the game.

Superb passing by the attack in the second periods set up a bevy of beautiful goals, as Burkhart, O'Brien, and Howe took turns setting each other up and scoring. Burkhart took an O'Brien feed to give Hamilton its first lead of the game at 3-2. Union's Dave Schuman retaliated quickly to again even the score. Then O'Brien converted a Howe pass, Howe converted an O'Brien pass, and Hamilton took a 5-3 advantage. Sean Durham did close the margin to 5-4, but Burkhart tallied after a Howe pass, and Howe scored an unassisted goal for a 7-4 half-time lead.

Hamilton kept up the pressure in the final quarter, as Peter White, Isaf, Burkhart twice, and Minges all scored to give Hamiton a 12-6 lead. It was all over but the shouting, though Union did cut the margin once to four goals at 12-8. Goals by Isaf, Howe, and Minges iced the win.

Hamilton could not break the unlucky number thirteen jinx, however, in losing to RIT 12-4. RIT jumped out to a 5-0 lead mid-way through the second period. John Pastore scored the only goal the Continentals could manage in the first half. RIT cruised through the second half, en route to their eighth consecutive victory. The game was certainly a disappointment for Hamilton, but for the team that called itself "Death Ball," it was a season to savor.

Continentals fight for possession.



Lambdin trains

Taz takes ninth in Northeast tourney

by Steve Goodwin

The Hamilton College ultimate frisbee team, the Tazmanian Devils, finished in a two-way tie for ninth place in the northeast last weekend at Amherst, Massachusetts. The sixteen teams that qualified for the regional tournament were culled from a series of sectional tournaments held all over the Northeast. As the Taz finished 9th out of roughly 110 teams, captains Scott Eveleth '82 and Steve Goodwin '82 are understandably pleased. Although Goodwin's earlier predictions cited a repetition of the state championship, the team actually fared better in national competition than last year.

This year, the Taz graduates (hopefully) 9 players. Seniors Goodwin, Eveleth, Dave Kassay, Quinn O'Neill, Tim Morgan, and

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Sports

Rugby teams conclude play

B.J. Mitre

Excluding the potential massacre tomorrow, the sun has finally set on the rugby club. The club limped its way to a 6-4 record, and now has *carte blanche* credit with various Utica medicinemen. But before babbling about the men's victory over Colgate on Wednesday, some final pensive and somewhat sober thoughts about the women's season.

Although the Hamilton women faced some enormously fatter (yes!) and uglier (yes!) sides, the lady ruggers were never intimidated. "A lot of times we were scared shitless," said Hamilton's quite buxom scrum-half Sarah Edelston, "but we were in a good shape from dieting all winter, so we were a tad quicker."

Edelston enjoyed a fine season. "Her leadership proved invaluable throughout the season, which is more than we can say about most of her passes," remarked an injured Jessica Gilbert. Gilby (to her friends) incurred her injury during the Armageddon known as the Upstate Tournament. Diagnosed by a second-year blind medical student as a strained eyebrow due to a too tight bandana, the ever versatile (and dirty mouthed) Gilbert was able to complete the season. "I couldn't find the proper tightness for my bandana all year long. Some matches it was too tight, and some matches it was too loose. It was never just right. Thank god the season has ended. Now I can take the time to get it professionally fitted."

Other backs who enjoyed fine seasons were Stefanie Sottile and Jenny St. Clair. St. Clair's lack of height proved to be a definite asset, as she was constantly able to duck through defenses and legs. Sottile played well on defense, maiming many an opposing player. "What really impressed me," offered newcomer Jenny Salvo, "was that her hair was never out of place at the end of the match. Now, that's keeping your composure."

The scrum also held their own. Usually matched up against "women" who ate steroids like candy, the lady piggies had nothing to be ashamed of. They too suffered some nagging injuries: Chris Hoffman got a boo-boo on her shoulder, Andrea Schwartz broke two fingernails — in the same match no less, and Jenny Moentmann pulled her groin — the question remains as to who pulled it, and why?

The women's biggest demise was their generosity (spotting opposing teams leads) and playing with headaches. "I think the Big V and munchkins played a key role in the outcome of some of our matches," sighed the semi-svelte Gilbert, "Girls will be girls," added Edelston.

The men will conclude their season tomorrow versus the Syracuse Rogues. This could definitely be a modern-day version of Custer's last stand, so if you're a fan of violence and abuse, better catch this one. The men did, however, get a bit pumped earlier in the week as they crushed Colgate, 15-14.

The men borrowed a page from the women's book as they spotted Colgate a 10 point lead. Babbled a glossy eyed Dan Colwell after the match, "When we're behind, I just like to pop people. Nothing like a good hit to clear your head and get you psyched."

With the body seemingly in the casket, Hamilton slowly crept back from the dead. Senior star prop (and future demolition derby driver) Eric Aldrich scored the first try of the day, steamrolling his way behind the massive body of one Carl Lauer. It was Aldrich's first try of his illustrious Hamilton rugby career and was heard muttering after the score, "I thought I was Billy Selin for a moment. What glory!"

The rest of the scrum played well also. Virgin hooker John Chatas was exceptional, getting many balls against the head, and even some of his own. Seen smoking a cigarette after the match, Chatas observed, "The earth really does move when you come together." Other stand outs were Joe Sullivan and Andy Melnick, although Melnick incurred the rath of an opposing Colgate player when he told him that his girlfriend was in dire need of a facial. The Colgate player retaliated by flattening Melnick and stepping on his head. This infuriated Greg Robitaille. Usually a seemingly harmless pacifist, Robitaille threatened to walk off the pitch unless hostilities ceased.

Red-eyed Bobby "I live for Rugby" Guth scored Hamilton's next two tries. Displaying reckless abandon for his miniscule body, Lord Guth flyhauked his way all over the pitch. Although beaten and bruised, Guth converted both conversions and Hamilton had its come-from-behind victory. "I wasn't too psyched in the first half," mumbled shaggy haired Scott Klimo. "But then I thought of Levitan getting that pie in his face and needless to say, I became very excited." ("I noticed," remarked a very perceptive Annie Sirken.)

Play Rugby Department

Some notable quotes: "Without rugby, springtime would be nothing," Carl Lauer; "I don't like playing with boys, I'd rather play with girls," Jessie Gilbert; "I really hope an upper classman picks me up," Jenny Moentmann; "My haircut really helped during the Colgate match," Tony Levitan; and finally, "I wish I could have been Rugby Queen just once more," Sarah Edelston...Selin made his debut reffing on Wednesday — maybe he should have been a touch judge first... Nice limp Stef...David Solomon's favorite line? Keep your eyes on the road, your hands upon the wheel...Backon and Levitan look like they belong on "CHiP's"... Buy an automatic, Jes.

B-side rugby ties Colgate

by S.O. Luck

After Hamilton's A-side rugby team came back to beat the Colgate A's, Hamilton's B-side (aided by a few A-side rejects) took to the pitch. Though a long, arduous battle ensued, the best the B-side could emerge with was a tie with the Colgate B's at 4-4. As this was the B-side's first tie of the season it was the cause for much excitement among the not-well-known B-side team.

Although Hamilton's regular B-side hooker, bag of Trip, was incapacitated with a severe case of genital herpes, the scrum did not suffer in the least. Led by the violent and heavily-tanned Andy Melnick, the scrum wheeled, rolled, and wheezed its way up and down the field. Due to their tremendous size (and Toby Brown), the Hamilton B's were able to win a majority of the lineouts and surprisingly enough, ran the ball fairly well.

The first score of the game came against Hamilton when a Colgate bum was pushed into the try zone by a Ham Tech rugger. Anthony Levitan, referee, had to rely on the line judge's judgment to determine the score as he was temporarily blinded by a loose strand of hair in his eyes. The conversion kick failed. Said Greg Robiatile of the score, "He started it, he started it. I saw him. I'll kill him. . ." Melnick was unavailable for comment.

Though down 4-0 the B siders opened up the second half in a blaze of fury and athletic prowess. The ball progressed from one end of the dusty spread to the other, first in Hamilton's possession, then in Colgate's. The game proceeded as such until Ed Gaffney, fly half, made an absolutely stupifying pass to the hungover Dan Cavell who ran the ball (God only knows how) up field only to be knocked out of bounds a yard or two from Colgate's try line.

It was at this point that the real hero of our story makes his entrance. The lineout turned into a scrumdown which the Colgate team was winning. Perceiving this, scrumhalf Andy Slentz waited until the ball was pushed back to the awaiting Colgate scrumhalf. At this point Slentz dived fearlessly upon the ball to score the tying try. The conversion failed.

Though the B-side boys tried to score again to gain the upper hand over the Colgate crustaceans, it was not to be. In the setting sun the light head referee blew his whistle to end the dreams and aspirations of these often neglected ruggers from Hamilton (with the exception of the A-side rejects). But there is hope: Saturday will see the B-side pitted against "somebody" at home, out on the Kirkland fields. Come see a dream come true.

Leather Balls Dept.

B.J., you write better than you ref. . . Danny, John, Andy K., Robby, Eric; thanks. . . Art, leave Toby alone. . . Butch, thanks for the beers and support. . . Drags, we miss you.

Frisbee

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Dan Wilson are the only remaining members of the original '78-'79 squad, and have formed the nucleus of the team for the last three years.

Geoff Towell '83 and George Shaler '84 will become next year's captains at the ultimate frisbee party on Sunday. Although the 82-83 squad will be slightly less experienced, Goodwin and Eveleth feel confident that the Taz will remain successful through commitment to developing individual skills and team spirit.

Highlights of the season included the Easter Seals Benefit Marathon, a victory over Syracuse at the spring Sectionals, the Northeast Regional Tournament, and Goodwin's "counter-culture" meeting with Dean Endy.

Regardless of the outcome of certain club sport issues, it seems certain that ultimate frisbee will enjoy a healthy future here at Hamilton. With an emphasis upon fun through teamwork, the Tazmanian Devils will thrive in their pursuit of serious athletic competition through the frisbee, which, I *still* feel, will replace the ball in 5 years.

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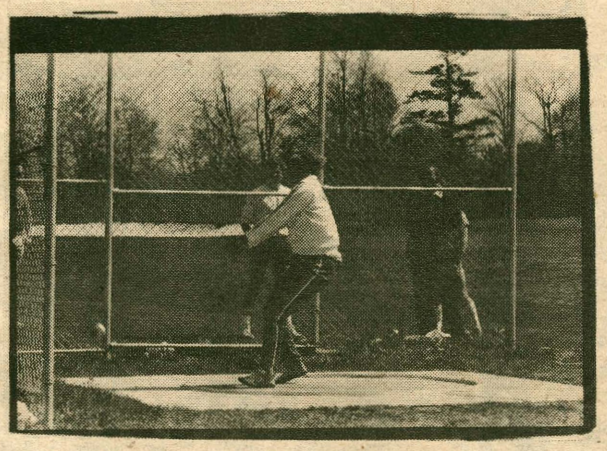
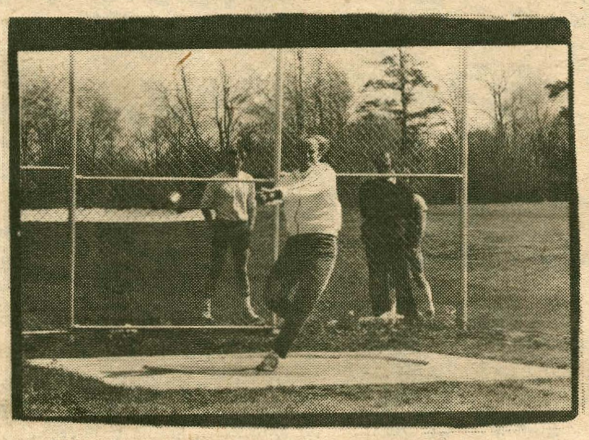
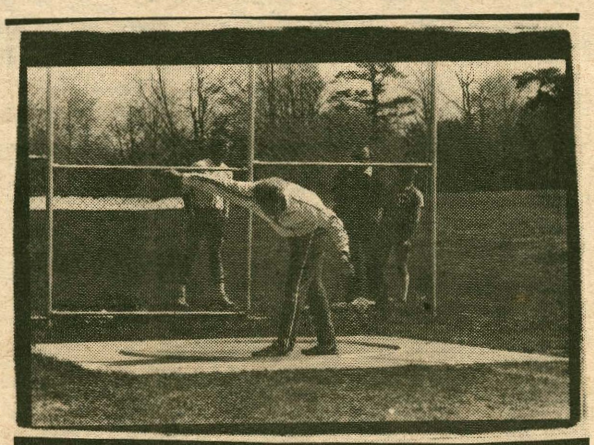






Letters

Much muck for Mack

Jonathan Mack has recently criticized Hamilton feminism for not being "middle of the road" enough. He insists that Hamilton forces women to choose between "following a feminism which is petty and anti-feminine" or "following obsequious traditional models." I strongly object to Mr. Mack's unjust and inaccurate description of "knee jerk feminism," as the alternative to the traditional role, for two reasons: first, emphasizing the "sexist language" issue does much more than "make the entire cause seem frivolous"; second, "women's groups" differ from fraternities and sororities, in that women's groups attempt to eradicate (not "exacerbate") sexism, while fraternities and sororities institutionalize separation.

The "language issue" is not "petty and peripheral next to real sexist issues." Sexist language is not a segregated topic. Rather, it reflects a society's overall discriminatory views. Moreover, sexist language fosters further discrimination. Not only does our language indicate a certain mode of thinking, but our thinking is strongly affected by what we hear.

"Women's groups" have been working to change the traditional dichotomy supported by fraternities and sororities. We call our organizations "women's groups" or "Women's Centers" simply because the group's goal is to further women's rights, in order to construct a society of equality. These groups certainly are not "anti-male," and some, in fact, are "initiated by males," shown through the Women's Center's nomination of Nathan Letts as one of its future coordinators. Also, the Women's Center, similar to the Peace Group, is an organized political body, seeking transformation. Fraternities and sororities, though, are social groups that keep women in limited roles.

Our society is not ready for a "middle of the road feminism," one which compliments those who "break the molds without criticizing those who remain in the molds." Simply patting the active feminists on the back, instead of helping with the vital structural changes, is not worth anybody's effort. Nor would I waste my time with the silent feminism that offers no change, but merely lets women allegedly "choose" their roles. Not enough women truly understand the implications of their choices. Too often, women remain in the traditional roles for they are not aware what equality entails. Jonathan Mack's "prudent feminism," therefore, is not a feminism, for it transforms society in no way.

Lynn Nusbaum '85

In an institution that is supposedly dedicated to "co-education," why is a student terrified by a women's demand for equality?

Laura W. Orth '84

I would like to address some of the issues brought to mind by Jonathan Mack's op-ed "Finding a prudent feminism." Mr. Mack sees the dilemma between following traditional role models and that brand of feminism which he perceives as "petty and anti-feminine." Are the two irreconcilable? Perhaps so, but I contend that no such brand of feminism exists at Hamilton College. To say that Hamilton's feminism is "anti-feminine and antagonistic" is to be uninformed. Having been involved with the Women's Center for three years and having served on its steering committee for two years I have yet to see a cross-legged group of staffers "condemning their peers who shave their legs." There are simply more important issues at hand. Perhaps this stems from Mr. Mack's assumption that in order for a woman to be a feminist she must be unattractive or just plain weird. After all, how many attractive girls do you know that were not invited to the junior dance? Surely there are more than two types of women and more complex experiences that determine their politics.

I for one agree that a less confrontationist feminism might be the answer. However, certain issues must be confronted; a women's center that does not support equal rights for women or assert a woman's right to be an active and full participant in the community is of little help to anyone calling him or herself a feminist. Mr. Mack vastly underestimates the intelligence of the members of the Women's Center if he believes we can or desire to alienate a significant population on the hill. The Women's Center has always and will continue to welcome the ideas and efforts of women and men. As for the name "Women's Center" I'm afraid it must stick — at least for the time being. Yes, ideally it should be a people's center but until the special needs and concerns of women can be addressed the center cannot afford to devote its energies to the larger goal. Mr. Mack's statement that such groups "need to be initiated by males" is ridiculous. One might logically conclude, for instance, that the Black and Latin Student Union might best be served if run by whites or that the Gay Alliance should be run by heterosexuals. To say that such minority groups do not need the support of the larger community would be absurd. The larger community must function in an active and supportive role but I suspect it would be extremely difficult for a man to adequately represent those needs and concerns particular to women at Hamilton.

I too agree that there are more pressing concerns than sexist language which the Women's Center should address. Nonetheless, I feel that sexist language must be dealt with by an institution still in the early phases of coeducation. It is still more fitting that this issue should be examined by "Women for Equality and Awareness in Education." This organization is but one of the various committees working through the Women's Center. Each has its own concerns but together the groups form a mutual support system. As far as accusations of "shrill attacks" I can conceive of no less offensive way to gather information than to circulation questionnaires. Those too threatened by the "high pitched female voices" can choose to ignore them. Are they really all that threatening to begin with? I can assure Mr. Mack that the W.E.A.E. would like to hear from anyone regardless of her or his beliefs.

The issue of androgyny is pointless. Does Mr. Mack really believe that supporters of the Women's Center envision and actually strive for a campus in which the differenes of women and men are ignored and where both sexes sport unisex clothing and hairstyles? I should hope not. Because I subscribe to a prudent feminism I felt compelled to respond to "Finding a prudent feminism." If Mr. Mack has any real conviction I would recommend that he either work through existing organizations such as the Women's Center to affect social change or create his own organization. It's one thing to write a column for *The Spectator* and another to actually do something about it.

Bill Lynch '82

Oh Jon, where do I begin? At first your column on feminism seemed just too confused, illogical and anti-women to even deign to finish reading. But then I heard men around me start to agree with you. So I finished your article. . . and wanted to cry (a typical female response, I suppose). Can there still be this much misunderstanding?

You reduce all our feminist views to one junior high incident — whether a boy asked us to dance or not. Do you see what you did? In every paragraph of your "feminist" article you judge women only from a male point of view. Our self-images, according to you, are taken only from what men think of us — if you like us we're feminine, if you don't we're feminists. I hate to blow your ego, but girls are not as dependent on boys as you like to think.

You refuse to clutter your sentences with he/she. I agree with you that that does not mean that you want a little wife in an apron. But it does mean that you are not considering the feelings of your women readers. I think it's a typical problem of men who call themselves feminists, you can't see the way all these small things piled up hurt us. When I've been reading, ever since I started reading, about a world populated with "he" where women are "they," it begins to make me feel left out. You claim that the "preoccupation with sexist language alienates potential feminists." Does it matter to you that sexist language alienates women? Sociolinguists have proved that not only is language choice-dependent on our thoughts and emotions, but that our attitudes and feelings are very much influenced by the language (sexist or non-sexist) that we are exposed to. Maybe it is this that I am reacting to, not my adolescent success with boys, when I call myself a feminist.

As for your arrogant attitude towards women's studies, if I could take a history course that would naturally include studying what women were doing (besides sewing flags) while men were playing war and politics, then I would not need a women's history course. But professors are still mostly male and concerned mostly about the pursuits of men in history, literature, etc.

Since we still face a male-dominated world, some women have decided to try to support each other, so we join the Women's Center. It alienates you that we call ourselves the "Women's" Center. Now who is campaigning about "petty and peripheral" sexist language? I should shut up and belong to mankind, but you won't join the Women's Center. It is so named because its major concerns are women and the problems we face. If a man who calls himself a feminist was truly sympathetic, he would come to the center in spite of its name.

Once there he would find many shaved legs, some encased in nylon, and that most of us even like men. He would not find us theorizing that men who join frats do so because the girl they asked to dance when they were 13 answered yes or answered no. We're a bit more concerned with issues like the Hatch amendment, the wage gap, and the ERA. But the most important fact he would learn about the Women's Center is that it allows for every member to be an individual and hold their own views without the risk of sarcasm, alienation or cannibalism. Before you condemn the feminists on campus Mr. Mack, please have the courtesy to learn about us.

Thank you, Susan Udry '82

In reaction to Jonathan F. Mack's column, "Finding a Prudent Feminism," I find it imperative to write the Hamilton community concerning feminism. Taken by only a handful of women and men at Hamilton, two choices of feminism, he claims, are present — "petty and anti-feminine" feminism and feminism "following obsequious traditional models." Supporting a type of feminism, certainly at this institution, is not having to choose between one of the two extremes; each person's view of feminism is a bit different.

The issue of "petty" feminism to which Mr. Mack refers is sexist language. Since words reflect society, sexist language tends to reinforce male orientation in society. By getting rid of sexist language — replacing "he" with "he/she," "one," or "ter" and replacing "mankind" with "humankind" — we are getting rid of a form of sexism. Although Mr. Mack writes that he refuses "to clutter [his] sentences with these alterations," the language makes me feel alientated as a women; changing sexist language can only help diminish the feeling I have of male dominance at Hamilton College and in society, in general. Besides dealing with the vital issue of sexist language, many feminists, including myself, are concerned with other women's issues.

Another point made by the supposed "feminist" is that women's groups, which he claims are anti-male, "exacerbate sexism via separation just as a campus divided between sororities and fraternities would." The Women's Center at Hamilton is an organization open to both women and men to raise the consciousness of women's issues. In such a conservative and male-dominated institution, it is reassuring to know that there is a place where the frustrations and causes concerning women can be voiced. Nearly all of the feminists at Hamilton are anything but radical, anti-male women.

Referring to some feminists as "anti-feminine and antagonistic," Mr. Mack absurdly suggests that they have held grudges against both other women and men because of their restricted social lives during adolescence. He not only uses grotesque generalization about women and feminists throughout the column, but he also loses touch with what feminism is and means. The general view I have of feminism is that it is a movement calling for the social and political awareness of women.

Although I commend him for addressing the issue of feminism, Mr. Mack should not call himself a feminist for the sake of other feminists and those wanting to know more about feminism. Kicking a man in the groin suggests that she/he is neither a feminist nor a women's study minor.

Susan Goldstein '85

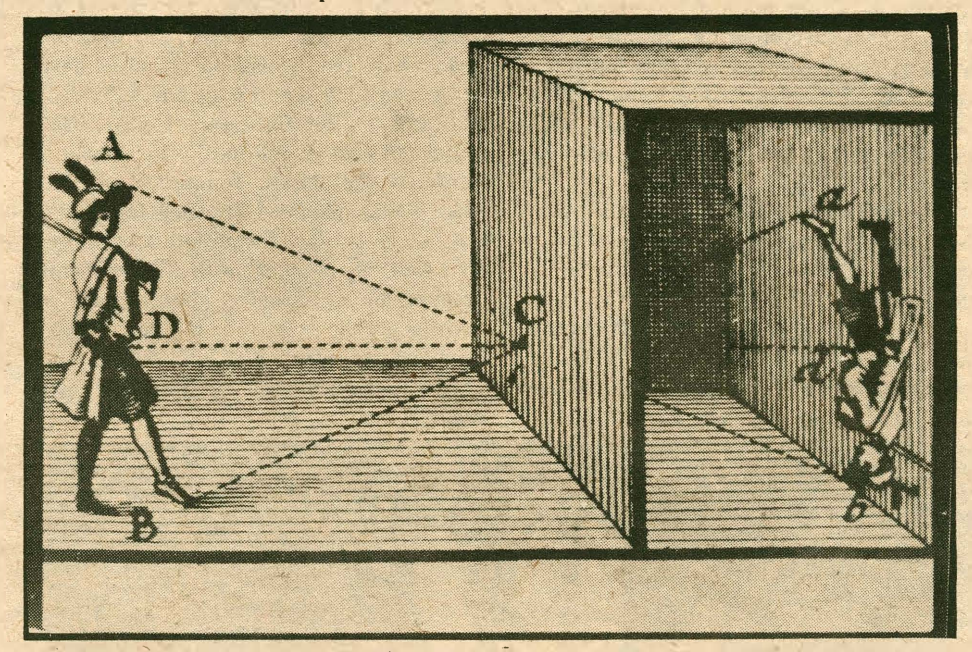
Letters

Another view of intimidation

I am writing this letter in regard to all the self-righteous people who are publicly passing judgment on others in this community. To pass judgment on an individual, or even worse — an entire group — is asinine as well as being against many things this school is supposed to represent. Whatever happened to open-mindedness and sensibility? I constantly encounter hypocritical individuals who say that this school lacks diversity and then turn around and condemn a group of people for the way they behave and believe. It seems that what they want is a sort of "selective diversity." Who are these self-righteous people kidding when they say that all they disagree with about certain groups is the alleged "anti-social behavior" in which members of a group indulge. The mere presence of certain groups instigates people into condemning them.

I also seriously question how much physical intimidation really exists on the hill. *The Spectator* has over-dramatized many incidents that have occurred this year. Many of the stories printed in the paper are slanderous, purposely misleading and lies. ("Three students assaulted," Volume XII, No. 15) Of course the editorials are opinions of the paper, but the stories lack the objectivity they should have. Problems on the hill become escalated through the manipulation of stories printed in the paper.

What makes certain individuals on this campus believe that some divine power has appointed them judge and jury? Fair judgment and due process are just honorable sounding phrases when it comes to considering certain acts by certain individuals. I think it is absurd to even consider expulsion for this year's alleged acts of "intimidation" and "anti-social behavior" since neither term can, or has been, clearly and satisfactorily defined. The great majority of physical incidents that ever occur are a result of some degree of fault by all parties involved. An unprovoked, vicious attack is, of course, reason to be alarmed; an altercation or fight is a different story. In such a situation, I cannot understand how anyone can assume that one party is completely at fault and must therefore pay the ultimate penalty — expulsion from school. The seriousness of probation and



work hours are constantly overlooked by students and faculty alike.

How can one determine intimidation — either verbal or physical? The extremes are easy to judge, but what about when the situation is more subtle? If I had a roommate whose values were far different from mine, either intellectually or sexually, I would feel very intimidated by him; however, does that give me the right to bring him to the J-Board? I think it is ridiculous for anyone to expect another to change his values just because they are not the same values as those around him. Is it my right to have someone condemned for being gay just because I feel threatened by him? Sure, when individuals on campus infringe on others' rights physically something should be done, but how does one judge a case in which only intimidation is involved? Often, appearance and general behavior are reason enough to get someone the label, "intimidating." The idea that one student should be able to get another suspended merely because he is afraid of him of totally absurd. I believe that the method students are taught to deal with an intimidating situation fosters immaturity. They should be encouraged to handle things on their own. Once we emerge from Hamilton we will, or should, be responsible enough to deal with unpleasant situations on our own.

Too many students here expect the rest of the world (college community) to conform to their idea of what is right and honorable. Priorities differ. One can just as easily question the value of a choir as an athletic team or fraternity. Why is it acceptable to condemn the very existence of a group just because one does not agree with what that group does. For example, this school is intimidated by the letters d,k, and e, not necessarily the "anti-social" actions of members of that house. The exaggeration of incidents on campus makes it impossible to expect an unbiased opinion of the individuals involved in any incident on campus.

I am not condoning the actions of any person or group of people; I merely wish to point out what I feel to be the obvious shortcomings of the way incidents have been handled and reported. Hamilton College is not a haven, no place is. I just question the method people are being taught to handle the problems that arise from being part of a community. If we do not like certain people and the things they do and stand for, should we attempt to annihilate that group? Should we attempt to get an authority figure to do it for us? Or should we ignore it and cower in a corner? Of course none of these answers are altogether too reasonable or practical, but they seem to be popular at this school. Blaming a single group of people for the problems at Hamilton is simple, and it makes it appear that the source of the problems is known and the solution easy. Popular opinion has been misdirected by stories printed in *The Spectator*. If these stories are knowingly printed with lies, then it is no wonder that there is a feeling in this community that the solution to our problems is easy and obvious. Part of a liberal arts education is learning to approach situations with an open mind. We are supposed to be an intelligent community; therefore, I do not understand how such blatant prejudice and ignorance can exist here.

Joe Panepinto'85

Editor's note: The Spectator has never knowingly printed a slanderous, purposely misleading or lie-infested article. We never manipulate articles to "escalate problems," and we always strive for the most objective possible coverage of the news.

Folk festival expresses thanks

We would like to thank Robin Tangerman, Jim Sloves, Jon-Mark Seimon, Doug Finch, and all the rest of those hard workers who made this year's Folk Festival fun for all who participated. Good Job!

Herb Lockwood '82; Mel Chestnut '82; Martha Denney '82; Owen Silver '82;

More muck for Mack

Dear Jonathan Mack,

I am appalled by your ignorance concerning Hamilton's Women's Center. In the past year I have been involved with the Center and I have yet to see a group, any group, "sit cross-legged in a circle while talking about 'relationships' and condemning their peers who shave their legs." I don't know where you dreamed up that notion about *our* Women's Center, but I can tell you it is wrong.

If you made an effort to find out about the Women's Center, you would realize it represents just those feminist ideals you wrote about. To start with, four out of the twelve steering committee members are male. They would not be there if it was an environment hostile to men. This fall the Women's Center tried to co-sponsor events with fraternities, to take positive steps towards creating a greater sense of community here. The most significant contribution to the center is its political involvement. We had an ERA table — any middle-of-the-road feminist must support the ERA because it will put an end to institutionalized sexism. In the center we have information about issues such as the Hatch Amendment, the Family Protection Act, and legislation requiring parental consent for birth control distribution. The Moral Majority had a tremendous victory in 1980; the true majority should learn from their mistakes and should not vote for RTL candidates in 1982. This information is available to you in the Women's Center and you are welcome to it regardless of where you stand on the feminist spectrum.

We are fortunate to have a Women's Center that caters to the needs of a wide variety of women and men at Hamilton. Some women find the use of "he" as a generic term for either male or female offensive. I do not, but keep in mind I am male. The Women's Center supports their desire to change the language; it is childish to assume that this is the view of the entire Women's Center and you will be unwelcome if you do not hold that view. Though you write an editorial column, you should be careful what you write because people like to believe what they read, especially if it is sensationalized (look at the *National Enquirer* sales).

Nathan Letts, head of The Thursdae Nite Club (a Women's Center function)

I would like to comment on Jon Mack's article in last week's issue of *The Spectator*. This time he has gone too far. I found it obnoxious, insulting and utterly worthless.

The quantity of inaccuracies and opinions totally unsupported by fact was simply amazing. I think that Mr. Mack must be one of the most ignorant people on campus regarding the activities and goals of the Women's Center. He obviously has never been inside the Women's Center or attended any event sponsored by the Women's Center. If he ever had done any of those things, he wouldn't have been as totally wrong about the Women's Center as he was in his article. For example, four of the twelve members of the Women's Center Steering Committee are male. Obviously, the Women's Center does not scare away men, as Mr. Mack asserts. As a male who is actively involved with the Women's Center, I found that particular assertion to be one of the most odious of the many that he made in his article.

Additionally, I am convinced that Mr. Mack is *not* a feminist and that he has no right whatsoever to call himself one. Anyone whose writing drips with as many anti-feminist stereotypes and warped perceptions of femininst issues as Mr. Mack's only hurts the feminist movement by claiming to be a part of it.

In conclusion, I would like to point out the only good point that can be made about his article; after this week, we will never have to deal with "Rogues and Vagabonds" again.

Joseph T. Flynn '83

To Jonathan Mack,

Concerning your column, "Finding a Prudent Feminism," which appeared in last week's *Spectator*, I agree and support your statement, "there's a big place in feminism for commending women who succeed in formally all-male pursuits, but there is no place for castigation of women who remain in all-female roles." However, I disagreed with several points in your column.

You stated, "The [sexist] language issue is petty and peripheral next to real sexist issues," yet you also stated, "you do not stimulate male membership by calling your group a 'Women's Group' or a 'Women's Center.' " Surely if you acknowledge that men feel alienated by the word "women," you must also acknowledge that women feel alienated by tne word "men."

Secondly, the Women for Equality and Awareness in Education questionnaire was an attempt to discover to what extent sexism occurred in students' academic lives. It was addressed to both men and women and concerned many issues other than sexist language. If sexism at Hamilton makes students feel excluded, intimidated, or ignored in classes, their education is threatened. Considering that, isn't it important to find out how much sexism affects students academic lives?

Finally, your association of Women's Studies with groin-kicking is absurd.

Sincerely,
Miranda Kolbe '84

Mr. Mack, have you ever been in he Women's Center? Have you ever attended a Friday afternoon tea, or an open meeting? If you had I doubt that you would have characterized most Hamilton feminists as strident and anti-feminine. The Women's Center is as prudent and circumspect in its official statements and programming as it can be and still hope to be effective. You characterize the W.E.A.E.'s concern with sexist language as petty; you, as a writer, should know the power of words. Words like "workman" and "chairman" exclude women. Terms like "the girls in the office" for adult women patronize us. How can attitudes change with these constant, subtle reminders of women's second-class status? Finally, speaking about petty things, all the female members of the Women's Center steering committee who were wearing skirts at our meeting had clean-shaven legs.

Trudy Miller '82

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Offers support for Jeff Ross

Those who have read the story in today's *Spectator* will be aware of the personal tragedy of a close friend and colleague, Jeffrey Ross. My own recollections of the matter reach back to my first year on the hill. Jeff had just finished a 750 page dissertation manuscript, the product of several months of research abroad, a year of data analysis and a year of writing — nearly two and a half years of intense effort. Those who knew Jeff at the time remember the enthusiasm with which he threw himself into this project. Jeff's wife, Margie once told me that the trip to the hospital to deliver their first child was delayed momentarily while he put the finishing touches on a paragraph.

Even before thesis was completed, the fundamental value of Jeff's scholarship was confirmed by the advance publication of part of his results in the prestigious political science journal *Studies In Comparative Communism*. This frequently cited article inaugurated a flood of scholarly papers and publications which fill four pages in his *Curriculus Vitae* and won wide recognition for Jeff and Hamilton.

Doctoral dissertations typically go through several drafts before they reach their final form. It is easy to get bogged down in these successive revisions, but it is unusual to get so utterly stymied so late in the process. The fact that Jeff's entire career finally hinged on the completion of his dissertation contributed to the pressure he felt with regard to this "dreaded chore." These circumstances created the context in which he acted and should be known, but as Jeff himself unambiguously acknowledges, they neither explain nor justify his behavior.

The college is about to lose one of its most distinguished scholars and dedicated teachers. The harm that Jeff has done to himself is, of course, incomparably greater. I believe that he will be able to reconstruct his life and I offer my support, hoping that others will do the same.

Sincerely,
Dennis Gilbert
Assistant Professor of Sociology

I'm staying and here's why

Your recent articles about students and faculty departing from Hamilton College leave one with a curious and unwarranted negative feeling. May I add something, please, to redress the balance since, next fall, I will be starting my 30th year at the college.

First: the students. Every year a few decide that this College is not the "world and all" for them. Some people leave Harvard for the same reason; some depart similarly from Smokey Valley Tech. Our transfer statistics, I darsay, stand up to the best.

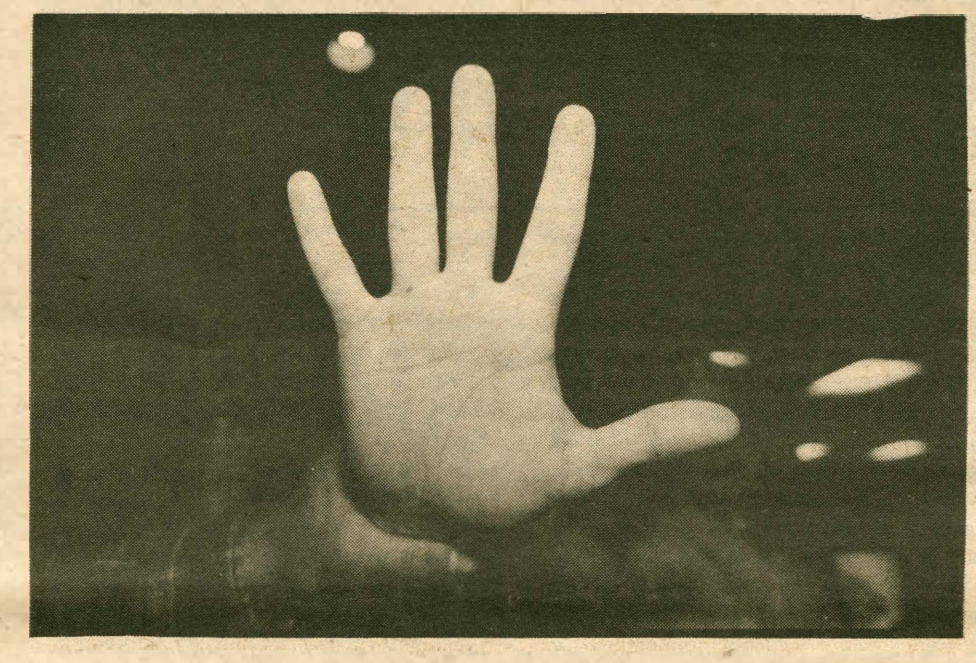
When asked, "Why did you come to Hamilton?" students respond because of a) its small size, b) its location, c) its high standards, and d) they want to ski. Asked why they depart, transfers say, because a) it's too small, b) it's isolated, c) the work it too demanding and d) the weather is cold.

I suspect that almost all of our students have, at one time or another, contemplated transferring. The student who hasn't, probably has not thought through the logical rationale for remaining. The weather, location, relative size, and standards have been more or less the same since 1812.

Second, the faculty. Spring time, of course, is full of news that Professor Bright is leaving and loud are the lamentations. Practically nothing is known about Professor Brighter who has been hired as a replacement.

In looking for new faculty, the college seeks outstanding teachers, competent scholars and contributors to the community. To this needs be added, I feel, commitment to the college and an interest in students as people, not just as students. We don't always succeed in this endeavor, but we keep trying. And not everyone sees it the same way. It is the awesome responsibility of the president to recommend for tenure people who may well be here even after he leaves.

Faculty may well leave, of their own volition, for a number of reasons. Sometimes they are disillusioned with the customers. I doubt that this would be the case academically, any quicker here that at comparable colleges. In spite of selectivity, we occasionally run into a goof-off; there are some at Harvard, Yale and Princeton.



On the social side, however, our student body is strictly average. Personally, my experience suggests that our students don't drink or vandalize any more than those at a comparable institution (in spite of lurid photographs) although I devoutly wish it were less. Our faculty pay scales are also competitive with those institutions with which we like to be compared and with which we compete for students. And every department head annually asks the dean for an additional faculty member to relieve the heavy teaching load of those present.

This is not to say that we can be complacent in the competitive educational situation today. Hamilton needs to reevaluate its qualities and strengths. This is what the faculty decided on Tuesday when it voted to set up a wide ranging *Ad Hoc* Commission on the curriculum.

Very truly yours,
Sidney Wertimer, Jr.

Wayne Bell should have been tenured

Last weekend I made the long trek from Rochester to Hamilton so that I could enjoy a "key rave" on the steps of "bold" Psi U. I was having a great time listening to Hoot and drinking whatever second rate beer is making the rounds down there (is it Pabst still, J.W.?) when the funeral started. One by one, throughout the course of the night, students and friends of Dr. Wayne Bell came up to me and informed me that Dr. Bell was denied tenure and that they were quite upset about the situation. As a friend and former student of Dr. Bell's, I was quite upset myself. This revelation to me definitely had a dampening effect on the time I had last weekend.

The following Thursday (4/28) I received my weekly copy of *The Spectator*. Because I always enjoy getting upset at least once a day, I quickly turned to the "Letters" section. Right before my weary eyes I found a letter signed by 76 people who denounced the denial of tenure to Dr. Bell. Considering that some of the people who informed me of the decision last weekend did not sign the petition, I think the list of potential signees is probably considerably longer.

Now what can we as highly intellectual individuals get from these two sets of incidents? I think we can easily say that Dr. Bell is well liked by his students, eh? I have never seen such support for any individual professor in the five years I have been associated with Hamilton. But then again, I informed the tenure committee of that when I recommended Dr. Bell for tenure last fall. I also told them quite a bit more. Dr. Bell is popular with his students because he is likeable, because he is knowledgeable, because he is able to effectvely communicate his knowledge, and because he is willing to put in the time few teachers will to make sure his students understand the material. Teachers are a dime a dozen, but teachers with Dr. Bell's attributes are rare. But Dr. Bell goes beyond just being a good teacher in the classroom. He has contributed much to the college such as the Skidaway research program each winter term (which always has a long waiting list), the Biology Department Seminar Series, and his own bird watching club. He has also shared his knowledge of radiotracer techniques and microbial disease in winter term courses. I could probably go on and on, and probably have gone on too long.

I guess the ultimate compliment to Dr. Bell is that his students like and respect him. It's too bad those professors who make the tenure decisions don't feel this way. A little jealousy perhaps? A little spite because he makes waves in order to get things to improve the curriculum?

Anyways, in business there is that old saying that the customer is always right. Seventy-plus customers of Hamilton College who have paid about $10,000 this past year have denounced the denial of tenure to Dr. Bell. This person who paid about $30,000 to Hamilton College is also denouncing that decision.

As I sat at graduation last year with a smile on my face, the sun in my eye, and a "Welch's Have a Grape Day" pin on my chest, I listened to two speakers instruct me to "be gutsy" in my dealings in the real world. I suggest to those deciding tenure to realize that they have made a mistake, to be gutsy, and to reverse their decision.

Sincerely,
David Nagel '81
CC: J. Martin Carovano

When a fine teacher is denied tenure, both the students and the academic community as a whole suffer permanent set-backs. Wayne Bell, a three-year member of the biology department, was recently denied tenure. The Student Tenure Committee, responsible for gauging student opinion, should exert a primary influence on tenure decisions; after all, aren't students the most qualified appraisers of teaching effectiveness? The decision to withhold tenure from Wayne Bell arose in the face of overwhelming student support. His courses were taught with a certain flair — they were informative, challenging and highly influential. Wayne Bell promoted a uniquely independent approach to the learning process. His courses induced a level of intellectual maturity not found in the standard Hamilton classroom. I feel that Wayne Bell's unique teaching style is precisely what an esteemed academic institution (like Hamilton) should advocate. Unfortunately, I also feel that Wayne Bell's unwillingness to conform to the conservative and somewhat backward philosophy of the biology department might have contributed to his unnecessarily short Hamilton career.

The reasons behind the tenure decision are not available. My intentions here are not to focus on the decision itself; rather, I would like to relate a personal experience which depicts the positive influence set forth by Wayne Bell.

Last November, I formulated an independent study proposal. My plans involved off-campus research at one of the world's finest marine biological institutions; I intended to write a biological overview of the unique bluefin tuna (which is quickly becoming an endangered species). Hamilton's sole marine biology teacher (who also serves as head of the biology department) refused to support my project. I still do not understand why my seemingly valid proposal was cut down. The professor stated that there was nothing unique about my investigation; he added that the inevitability of the bluefin tuna's extinction rendered it an inappropriate subject.

Following this denouncement, I was forced to readdress my proposal and approach it from a strictly behavioral standpoint; it was subsequently approved by the psychology department.

Having received word of my unfortunate experience with the biology department, Wayne Bell stepped forward with words of encouragement. Before I left for the Woods Hole Marine Biological Lab, he affirmed the value of my proposal and advised me on the direction that my research might take. His encouragement stood in marked contrast to the negative attitude set forth by the head of the biology department. The research which I conducted at Woods Hole turned out to be the most significant achievement of my academic career.

I believe that this experience directly reflects the misfortune of Wayne Bell's dismissal from Hamilton. His liberal policies — ones that promote independent academic pursuit — did not survive amidst the more powerful conservative elements. And that's a shame. For those of us who were fortunate enough to learn and mature as a result of our interactions with Wayne Bell, his tenure denial stands as a tremendous injustice.

Sincerely,
Bob Ballou '82

Ground the name "airport lounge"

I cherish nicknames just as much as the next Hamster Techster; they can be cogent, witty, revealing, and fun. I dare say nicknames are the very essence of unpretentiousness, for they always speak the truth, no matter how painful. And "The Airport Lounge," I must admit, is both an accurate and amusing label for our social HUB. However, like any nickname, it has its place, and that place is decidedly *not* in the "Events" calendar on the last page of *The Spectator*.

Almost every week since the introductoin of the "Events" page in February I've read

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under Fridays: "Happy Hour at the Airport Lounge, Student-Faculty Rap with TGIF" and have been slightly annoyed. Undeniably I'm impressed — and relieved — to see that this spring's *Spectator* is "with it" in so many ways; however, the "Events" page, like the *Daily Bull* and the "Weekly Events" leaflet, acts as a formal organ of information which not only we students read, but trustees, alumni, and campus visitors refer to as well. "The Airport Lounge" is fine, but it should be saved for the Op-Ed pages, or else we risk having it become the official name of that place we all know and love. There is a distinction in newspapers between being informative and being cutesy-poo, and I only suggest that you make it.

Signed,
Peter Nelson '82

Stop beating a dead horse

What would *The Spectator*, or for that matter, the entire Hamilton campus be without the fraternity and sorority issue to rule its pages and minds??

I realized as I opened last week's *Spectator* and, as usual, was inundated with "Fraternity Closing" or "Sorority Opening" articles that the only issue which seems to be discussed with any fervor on this campus is the fraternity/sorority system. Enough is enough! After a year of overanalysis, I find that every article, letter or editorial is simply a restatement of what has already been said time and time and time again. It appears to me that the issue at this point has become a battle of the wits — who can state their opinion more eloquently, more vindictively, or more "unbiasedly." I find it ironic that in the "highly intellectual atmosphere" of Hamilton, the great minds of this campus insist upon discussing a system which, according to its critics, is entirely anti-social and anti-intellectual. Believe it or not, there are more intellectual, provocative and at this point, interesting topics for discussion.

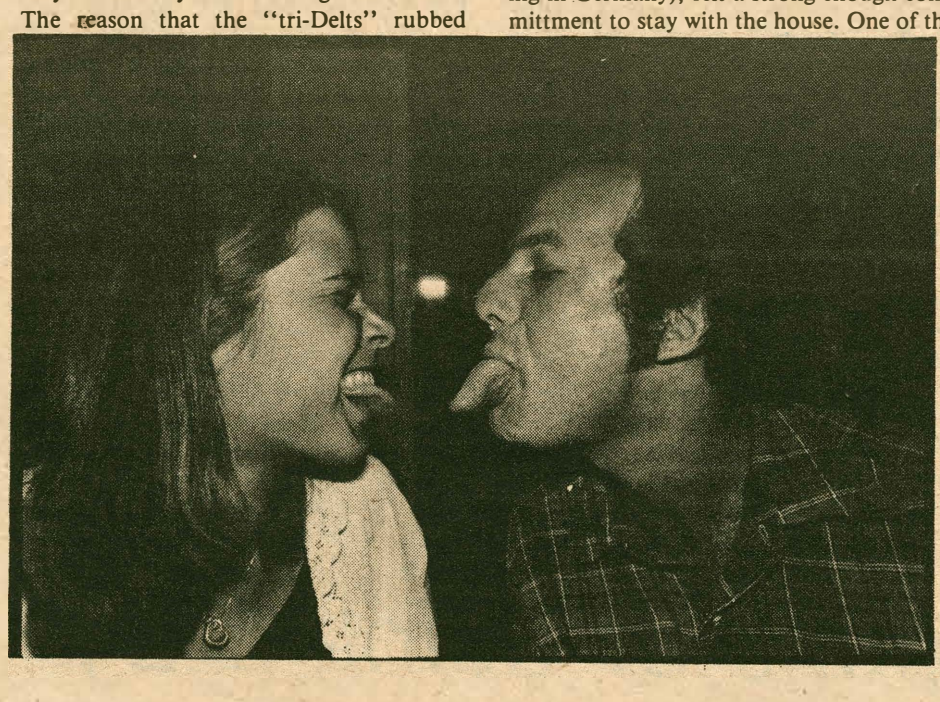
I admit that the fraternity and sorority issue is one which greatly affects the future of our college. Yet there is a point at which any topic, no matter how significant and potentially powerful, must be left alone, if only for one week, or one issue.

I also realize that some may call me a hypocrite for raising the topic once again. However, obviously I do not write this letter in order to express my feelings about the fraternities or sorority. I write this letter to voice my hope that maybe, just maybe, I may leave school this year without the ever-so-popular, yet ever-so-boring, fraternity and sorority issue ringing in my ears.

Sincerely,
Anne Foxen '84

In reading the letter from Miss Diane Titch in last week's *Spectator*, I was shocked by an appalling contradiction in her argument. Miss Titch admonishes the women of the new Delta Delta Delta sorority to reconsider their decision about affiliating themselves with a national organization which inhibits individuality and encourages stereotypes and conformity. What I find contradictory is that in one breath, the opponents of the sorority (including Miss Titch) will condemn fraternities while calling for new social options on the Hill. However, in the very next breath, these same people will condemn a group of women who are trying to provide just such an option. The only difference that I can see is that it is not the kind of option that the Women's Center, *et. al.*, find desirable.

My response to Miss Titch is that the women of Delta Delta Delta are more individual by forming a sorority, an action which I am sure they knew would be controversial. By affiliating themselves with a national organization, they are doing what they want. They are not being conformists. The reason that the "tri-Delts" rubbed



Miss Titch the wrong way is that they are not conforming to her and her colleagues' ideals. Miss Titch, conformity is a fact of human nature. No one likes to make waves within their chosen group. The only difference is that there is conformity to liberal and traditional ideas, and neither group sees itself as conformist. No matter what ideals an organization adheres to there will always be such a thing as a group mentality.

I think the only fact that is relevant to this discussion is that there is a sorority at Hamilton College, it will survive the barrage of opposition to it and it will flourish. Instead of wasting their time trying to disrupt or alter the sorority, the members of the Women's Center, and friends, should concentrate on ways to co-exist peacefully with it. Miss Titch wrote last week that "women and men must learn to live together in cooperation and friendship." I wholeheartedly agree, but I also believe that this idea can be extended. At Hamilton College, women and women must learn to live together as well. This would be a more constructive effort. Let the women of Delta Delta Delta do what they wish. Let the argument die a long overdue death.

Mark G. Russoniello '84

German house defends SIH

In response to various accusations which were heightened by a group letter in last week's *Spectator*, we find it necessary to defend the position of special interest housing. German House members are alarmed and slightly offended by the attitude that this campus is taking towards our organization.

We understand that people are upset by the rooming situation and the disappointment this year seems to be intensified by the presence of the many rooming options. However, we are asking that our point of view be considered.

First of all, the student housing committee should not be condemned for acting in a haphazard fashion. The passage and placement of the groups was by no means arbitrary.

After presenting the idea to Dean Hoffa (at the end of Winter Term), we were put through a thorough screening process. This began with a twelve page application which required, among other things, campus wide advertisement for membership. In March, the organizers of the house were interviewed by Hoffa and the Committee on Student Housing, where we defended our need for a central gathering place.

The allegations that the groups were formed with the sole intention of receiving a suite are unjustified. While we began with seventeen potential members, only nine (including a Hamilton student presently studying in Germany), felt a strong enough committment to stay with the house. One of the main reasons for the loss in membership was that the special interest houses are not guaranteed housing of any kind before going off the lottery, and many of next year's seniors did not want to chance ending up in Dunham. Our nine members are too few for a hall, and thus we were placed in a suite situation.

We realize that we did receive desirable housing and we intend to make the best use of it for the benefit of the entire campus.

Aside from being enthusiastically backed by the German department, we are in correspondence with the German Information Center in New York City about programs, films, exhibits and speakers which can be brought to the campus through the house.

This campus is often accused of being homogeneous in nature. The members of the German house, while being brought together by a common interest, have other interests which encompass a wide spectrum of what this campus offers.

We find it insulting that student interest housing in general should get the blame for choosing its rooming when in fact the final decision rested on the student-elected residence committee.

We know that we will learn a great deal next year, we want to offer the campus the opportunity to learn with us. Perhaps it would be best to wait and see what we have to offer before challenging our "credibility."

***Das Deutsche Haus* officers:**
Andrew Rosenfeld; Tina Mayer; Geoffrey Pomeroy; Catherine F. Gioeli

Thank you in advance

We would like to thank in advance the multitudes of Hamilton students, faculty, administration and other notables who will be sure to attend our recital on Saturday evening. We commend you on your good judgment and promise you an evening of great music and fine entertainment, occasionally both at once. There will be a reception for those of you who feel you deserve a tangible expression of gratitude for your attendance.

Martha Denney '82; Herb Lockwood '82; Drew Krause '82; Dan Rosenfeld '82; Larry Dahl '85.

Leave 10-6 alone. 10-4?

I personally stopped reading Debby Freeman's piece in the E-t-c-e-t-e-r-a space last week after the first paragraph, but later in the week someone pointed out a fatuous assertion that compelled me to read the entire piece. Miss Freeman says that "Elitist prisoners hid up in the South Towers from ten to six each night and laughed at the preppy prisoners below." I looked up Miss Freeman in the face book, and noting that she has never been seen at the gatherings she refers to, I found it peculiar that she should characterize them as "Elitist." The sponsors of these gatherings have only asked that participants bring their own alcohol and refrain from barging in and saying "where's the party?" when the occupants of a room are trying to study or sleep and are *not* having a party. How would you like it, Miss Freeman, if you walked home at 2 am and found strangers waiting for a party outside your door? Would you be snobbish or elitist if you asked them to leave? Furthermore, the gatherings that you refer to are not "from ten to six each night"; they are spontaneous and sporadic. It is rumors of their nightly occurence, which you have exacerbated by printing them in *The Spectator* that result in people showing up for parties that the hosts do not always wish to hold.

Miss Freeman, it is one thing to generalize about fraternities, the Women's Center or certain dormitories on campus; it is another thing to expose, and even advertise, the social habits of a specific quad in a specific dorm.

Name withheld

DKE loses softball game

On Thursday April 29th a DKE softball team coached by Fabio Freyre was stunned for the second year in a row by a surprising physical plant team. Fabio departed early in the game to catch a train, but was confident of his team's chances after watching them roll up an 8-run lead in the first inning.

The game ran smoothly for DKE until Don Beebe showed up for the plant team toting "big Louie." Louie's presence seemed to spark the team, and in the final inning the plant rallied off losing pitcher John Steffy. Steffy was handcuffed by a hot liner off the bat of Bill Fraser, and six runs later a stunned DKE team headed home with a 17-15 loss.

D. Charles Murphy

Op-Ed

Readers, Writers, Rogues and Vagabonds

Jonathan F. Mack

I hear pronouncements that journalism is declining with almost unnerving regularity. I am not sure whether to concur and write journalism's epitaph or resist and extol its worth. Journalism's manifest vigor and vices both lie in commentary. Columns that are self-serving and esoteric show journalism's vices while columns that dare to try to make a point while upholding traditional organizational and stylistic standards show its vigor.

In large part, I attribute the "decline" in journalism to the propensity writers have to write about writing and write about themselves. Do you enjoy the company of someone who just speaks about himself and his profession? Writing about writing or oneself in a commentary format is an almost certain indicator of a lack of impetus or imagination to address other subjects. Even when critical, excessive self-reference in commentary has the scent of self-glorification. If a writer asks the public to read a piece, he is obligated to try gratifying his readers as much as himself. Readers are not always fascinated by the plight of writers — they would probably be the ones writing if they were — they are fascinated by the range of issues and experiences that commentary seeks to grip. Writing itself is a small part of this range of experiences and is thus worthy of mention, but not excessive consideration, in commentary.

The second facet in the decline of journalism relates to style rather than content. Too many writers, fancying themselves involved in a profound and esoteric craft, start playing with "poetic license" and "stream of conscious" before they have mastered basic organizational and stylistic skills. Sometimes I think it is better for commentators never to have read anything outside a newspaper so they can remain stylistic virgins. This state is far preferred to becoming a slave to Ken Kesey or Hunter S. Thompson. They are good writers, but no one who became fixated with them ever became a good writer to my knowledge. I'll bet today's better writers are people who left their older sibling's copies of *The Electric Kool-Aid Acid Test* and *Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas* in the closet.

There are young people who fit into the "Today's Better Writers" category, and their presence leads me to deny the "decline of journalism." These writers avoid excessive self reference to distance themselves from the subject they comment on, yet they maintain an apparent personal sensitivity for their subject. Their secret is in remaining detached yet not dispassionate. This paradoxical combination of stoicism and sensitivity is a trait common to most great journalists and commentators. It is a trait held by Bill Moyers, Anthony Lewis, James Reston and George Will, but not William Safire or James Kilpatrick.

The combination of stoicism and sensitivity is best achieved in a style that avoids excessive self-reference and self-indulgence in esoteric structures. Good commentators appreciate the value of poetic license and esoteric structures — so they save them for sparing yet effective use. An essay with a recognizable thesis and line of argument remains the best method to show sensitivity, and avoidance of self-reference remains the best method to lend an air of stoicism and authority to an essay. In analyzing any piece of written work, we must ask who the writer is and what his tone is. If the writer insists on spilling the beans and directly answering these questions for the reader, he merely shows that his true place is as a reader and not a writer. Of course, being a good reader is as esteemed a position as being a good writer — because it involves the same uniting of stoicism and sensitivity that makes good writing convincing. Thus if there is ever to be a decline of journalism, it will come when being a good reader no longer aids one in becoming a good writer.

The tribulations of being a DJ

Amy Vail

The business of being a classical music DJ at WHCL can be more than a little bit frustrating. I would imagine it's a bit easier if you do a rock show. There is a large library of popular music down at the station, for one thing. Karl Haas doesn't have to go sign out his albums from the Root Art Center. You bet.

At a real classical music station, DJs are not faced with the fact that many of the public service announcement tapes have rock or disco background music, or still more jarring, new wave. It can be a rude shock to have to deal with Elvis Costello right after Haydn. One is faced with the choice of playing one of these things every half hour, or reading it from the book. And reading it can be rather embarassing. Once you have said "Pueblo Colorado 81009" four or five times, you begin to feel a bit silly about the whole thing. Still, things are improving. They actually buy some good new records.

One of the greatest problems is of course, The Album With The People You Can't Pronounce. Anybody can say "That was a cut off the Beatles' *White Album*." No Problem. It takes guts to say "That was 'Revency Venir du Printemps'' by Guilliaume Costeley, as performed by I Virtuosi di Cadolzburg." There are artists whose records do not get played on my show, because I could never pronounce them right if I knew that people were listening. Mistislav Rostropovitch will never be heard on Music for a Tuesday evening. The Concertgebau of Amsterdam is right out. I hesitate to air L'Orchestre de la Suisse Romade. On the other hand, as a German major, Helmut Walcha holds no terrors for me. Not even if he plays an organ built by Arp Schnitgur. The Debussy/Debussy/Debussy controversy still rages.

There are the people who call and want to know if you are stoned. There is the one who wants to hear Tschaikovshy's 15th. (Very funny.) There was one a few weeks ago who wanted to know the temperature at the airport. There is the guy who wants to hear the Pachebel Canon in D major. He is a given.

One gets a bit lonely down there in the subterranean chamber under Minor Theatre, with no longer the AP machine to keep one company. There are nights when one is tempted to play something by the Talking Heads just to see if anybody is listening out there. One devoutly prays that the test of the emergency broadcasting system will not go off.

I can't think why I love it so much.

Now that's motivation

H. Henry Getchell

From the college of hard knocks

A lot has been said about idealistic starts, unscheduled detours, pauses for reflection, direction changes, unwind periods and the like. The harsh world we live in often takes its toll on preconceived notions of straight and true paths to accomplishment and self fulfillment. This reality holds true for the most ambitious to the simplest of goals or intentions.

Very few, if any, Chief Executives have clear sailing for their original plans or projects envisioned when entering office. Well-trained, competent bookkeepers have been replaced by the computer.

Enough for the negative realities.

Throughout history the greatest accomplishments have been achieved by people who have not even begun to function effectively until more than half their lifespan had slipped away from them. Degrees of education have ranged from none to master's degrees. At some point in their lives, the majority of these late accomplishers came to an abrupt halt and changed directions dramatically. Many fine clergymen and social workers were previously truck drivers or stevedores. Countless examples exist. The art world has benefited when retirees' hobbies have become productive careers.

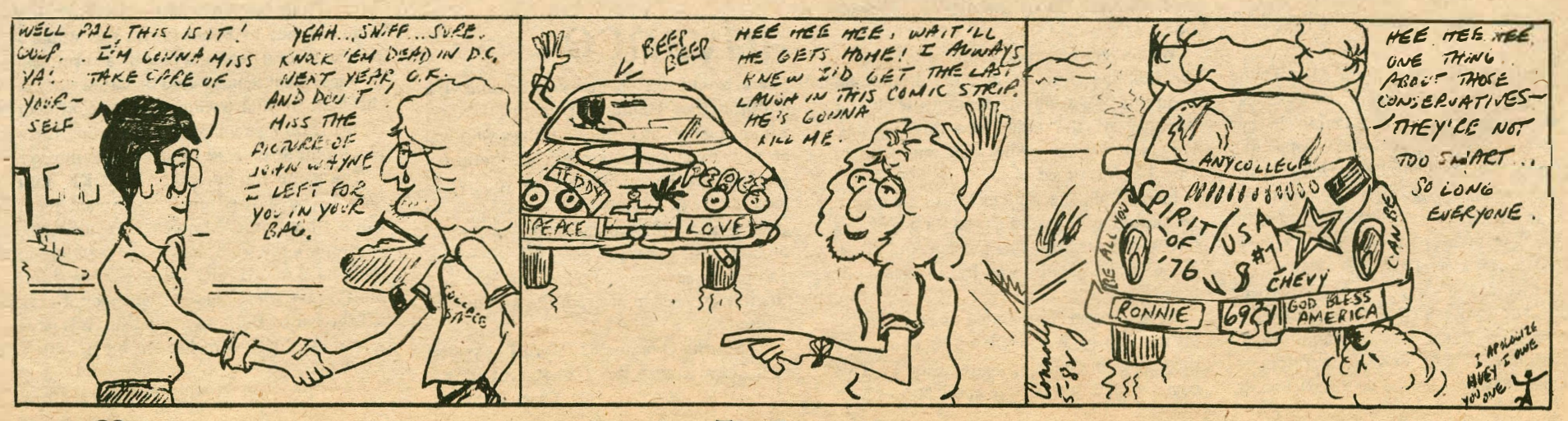
The positive point to be gained from all this is the realization that somewhere in all of us is a motivation to overcome the frustrations of under accomplishment or failure. Our potential is inexhaustible. Sometimes it takes longer than anticipated to bring this motivation into perspective, but bear in mind, anything is possible.

My number three child had made up his mind that Marine Boot Camp was going to be a breeze. (Hardly.) During hand to hand combat training his drill sergeant witnessed his opponent accidentally step on his hand. Instead of screaming or cursing as expected he grinned and went on with the exercise which put him in good with his D.I. for the rest of his time in camp.

Now that's motivation, his D.I. had said.

Any College, U.S.A.

by Mark Connolly


WELL PAL, THIS IS IT! GULP. I'M GONNA MISS YA! TAKE CARE OF YOUR-SELF
YEAH...SNIFF...SURE. KNOCK 'EM DEAD IN D.C. NEXT YEAR, O.K. AND DON'T MISS THE PICTURE OF JOHN WAYNE I LEFT FOR YOU IN YOUR BAG.
BEEP BEEP
HEE HEE HEE, WAIT'LL HE GETS HOME! I ALWAYS KNEW I'D GET THE LAST LAUGH IN THIS COMIC STRIP. HE'S GONNA KILL ME.
PEACE
LOVE
HEE HEE HEE ONE THING ABOUT THOSE CONSERVATIVES— THEY'RE NOT TOO SMART.. SO LONG EVERYONE.
ANYCOLLEGE
SPIRIT OF '76
USA #1
CHEVY
RONNIE
69
GOD BLESS AMERICA
I APPLAUD THE HIVEY YOU GIVE

Editorials

The lesson in Ross' mistake

With the departure of Jeff Ross, Hamilton loses someone who appears to be one of the most provocative and popular members of the faculty.

Certainly, we can't excuse what he did when he lied about his credentials. Just as students are expected to go about their academics in an honest manner, we expect the same from the Hamilton faculty when they engage in scholarly pursuits.

However, we must also consider the extent to which Ross is a victim — as well as a villain — of the system.

Despite the fact that he is one of the most widely published and most original scholars on the faculty, Ross probably would have been terminated had he not completed his doctorate degree by the end of last June.

Not only had several sections of his dissertation already been published, but Ross managed to fill seven pages — typewritten and single-spaced — with a list of his accomplishments. In the years that he wasn't polishing off his thesis, he was busy with other scholarly activities.

It seems odd that such a prolific scholar would be axed merely because he lacks a doctorate degree.

We question a system that sets out a formula which dictates by which date a professor must have a certain degree in order to continue teaching, while overlooking other factors, such as ability in the classroom and scholarly prowess. The unbending adherence to rules so feared by Jeff Ross when he lied about his Ph. D. has already resulted in the loss of a fine scholar and teacher.

Before the same thing happens again, we urge the administration to reevaluate policies which require unbending adherence to rules in tenure decisions.

We suspect that *The Spectator* was stolen from its distribution points around campus last week due to the alarmingly rapid rate at which the paper was snatched up. That's why three members of the editorial staff spent the better part of an hour last Monday stuffing copies of the paper into mailboxes.

If the papers were indeed purloined, we would like to tell the theif (theives)/prankster(s) that they will not succeed in suppressing freedom of expression on this campus. There are legitimate means through which any member of the community can express a viewpoint different than ours in these pages — for example, we print every signed letter we receive reasonably early in the week. However, denying the rest of the community the right to read *The Spectator* smacks of facism, and frankly, it makes us ill.

Letter

Ross explains his actions

Tothe Hamilton College Community

This is undoubtedly the most difficult and emotionally trying statement that I have ever made. It is, however, one that I must make if I am to be able to come to terms with you and find peace of mind for myself. As you might have heard through the grapevine, I have violated a trust and am leaving Hamilton as a result. There is no way that I can condone my actions or expect you to forgive them. I have paid a penalty for what I have done and I will probably continue to do so for the rest of my life. My only hope is to be able to pick up the pieces and be allowed to become a productive person once again.

When I first arrived here, I came with a large amount of data from a field study that I had devised and conducted abroad. My goal was to write a doctoral dissertation out of this original, exciting, and painstakingly gathered material. In a little over a year I submitted a completed manuscript that was approximately 750 pages long. Unfortunately, due to the almost inevitable problems of bulk and organization, the thesis had to be revised. For reasons that I myself do not fully comprehend, what had been an intellectual adventure suddenly became a dreaded chore. When you want to avoid a chore, you find lots of reasons to do so, including some perfectly good ones. Nonetheless, some more time passed and I was able to submit a revised version that was close to 450 pages long (making for a total of 1200 pages). In preparing this document, I had closely followed all the suggestions for revision that I had previously received (indeed, all of the revised chapters that I had submitted along the way had been approved without substantive criticism). In the meantime, however, the composition of my thesis committee had changed somewhat; and the new members demanded a series of further and far-reaching methodological changes. They argued, with justification, that I had attempted to do a multivariate analysis upon a data base that was best suited for bivariate analysis. In a real sense, it was now to be back to the drawing board.

At this point, I still had plenty of time to do the added revisions and retain my appointment at Hamilton. Unfortunately, my motivation to do so had been virtually shattered. I knew that I had to force myself to work on the thesis, but I always found ways of avoiding the task. I told myself the lie that of course I would get it done in time. My mistake was to believe this self-delusion. In the process, illusion became reality and reality became illusion.

In the meantime, I was not inactive. I compensated for my lack of further progress on the thesis by continuing to throw myself into other activities that, while positive and rewarding, made getting back to my old nemesis even more difficult. Such activities included family responsibilities, full-time teaching, institutional service, and new lines of scholarship. In the latter area, I feel that I was quite productive. I presented quite a number of papers at professional meetings, I published a goodly number of articles in both books and professional journals, and I was even the principal co-author of a published book. In addition, I became very active in the governance of several professional associations.

I like to think that I was relatively successful in all of these activities. In particular, I do think that I made a positive contribution as a teacher. Nonetheless, I was caught in a trap of my own making, and the time came when I could not continue to be here without having completed my degree.

My ill-considered reaction to the deadline I faced involved both stupidity and cupidity (you can fill in further adjectives). I lied the College and again to myself by announcing that I had indeed finished. Knowing that I could not meet the deadline, I hoped to retain my job while going on to actually finish as soon as possible.

Things did not work out that way. The truth was discovered, and I felt it to be best to offer immediately to resign, effective at the end of the semester, and quietly leave the College. This too was not to be and here I am.

It has become a bit fashionable as of late for departing faculty members to criticize shortcomings of the College. While Hamilton is run and staffed by human beings, and hence less than perfect, I have found it to be a wonderful place in which to work. Administrators, colleagues, and many students have been most supportive when I have been most in need of support. I feel awful for having let them down as I did.

I conclude this statement by offering my sincere and most genuine apology to the entire Hamilton community. The lasting damage that I have created will be to me and my family, not to others. With your good wishes, I will try to go on from here.

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Events

Friday, May 7

- Happy Hour at the Airport Lounge, Student-Faculty Rap, free ARA substances, 4 pm.
- *Everything You Always Wanted to Know about Sex.* KJ Aud. 8 and 10 pm.
- *Taxi Driver.* Science Aud. 8 and 10 pm.
- One Act plays: "Sweet and Twenty," "Action," and "Hopscotch." Minor Theater. 8:30 pm.
- Anyone interested in being involved with a student charity organization should submit a letter to box 962 campus mail

Saturday, May 8

- Reading period begins.
- ★ Commons Carnival.
- ★ Fun Run. Runners should meet at Commons at 11:30 am to register. $2.00 suggested entry fee. Free helium balloon to all racers, free t-shirt to 1st place winner of each division. Raindate May 9th.
- ★ Concert: Out of the Blue, Commons Quad, 1pm-5pm.
- Newman Mass with Father Charles Aho, List Recital Hall, 6:30 pm.
- Flute Recital, Martha Denney, Chapel. 8 pm.
- *Everything You Always Wanted to Know about Sex.* Science Aud. 8 and 10 pm.
- *Taxi Driver.* KJ Aud. 8 and 10 pm.
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Sunday, May 9

- Chapel Service with the Reverend Jeffrey Eaton. Chapel. 10:30 am.
- Chess Club. Backus Room, Bristol Campus Center. 2 pm.
- Newman Mass with Father Charles Aho. Chapel. 4:30 pm.
- Debates: argumentative class. Red Pit. 7 and 11 pm.
- *Everything You Always Wanted to Know about Sex.* KJ Aud. 8 and 10 pm.
- *Taxi Driver.* Science Aud. 8 and 10 pm.
- **One Act plays: "Sweet and Twenty," "Action," and "Hopscotch." Minor Theater. 8:30 pm.**

Monday, May 10

- Bridge club, Backus Room, BCC. 7 pm.
- Observatory Open House (weather permitting). 9 pm.
- A reading entitled, "The all night reading room," Sigma Phi, 9 pm. All proceeds go to the John Barney Moore Scholarship Fund.

Tuesday, May 11

- Newman Mass. Father Charles Aho. Chapel. 12:30 pm.
- "Girlfriends," KJ Aud. 9 pm.

Wednesday, May 12

Final Exams begin. No classes!!

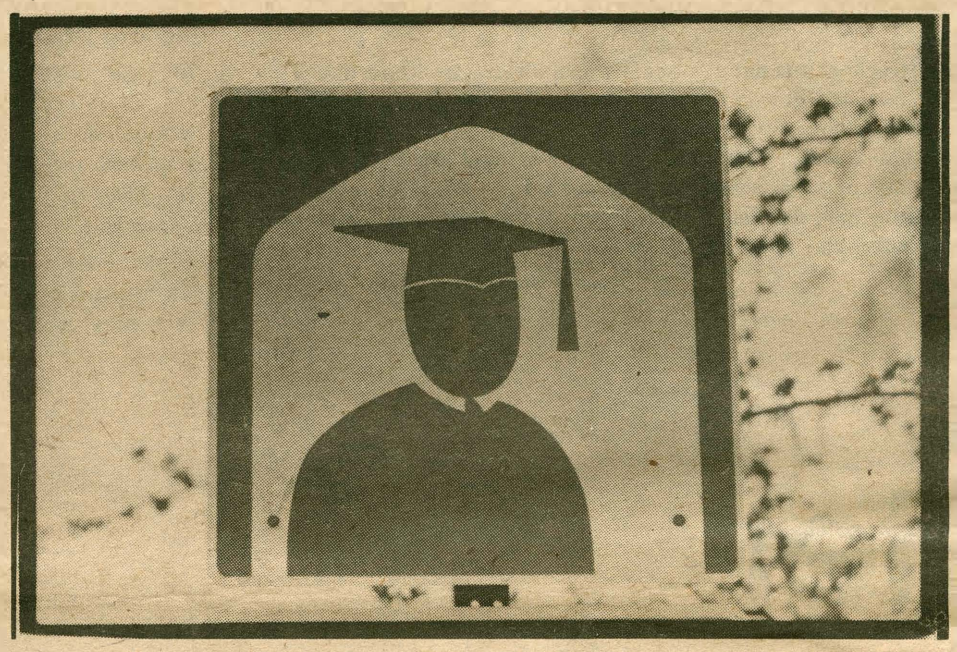
- "Girlfriends," KJ Aud. 9 pm.

Thursday, May 13

- Final Exams continue.
- Used Book Buyback, BCC, 10 am to 3:30 pm.
- Newman Mass, Father Charles Aho. Chapel. 12:30 pm.
- "A Star is Born," 9 pm.

Friday, May 14

- Final Exams continue.
- Used Book Buyback, BCC, 10 am to 3:30 pm.
- Happy Hour at the Airport Lounge. 4-6 pm. Student Faculty Rap, "Bringing up Baby." 4, 8 and 10 pm.



Saturday, May 15

- Yes, Virginia, there are more finals today.
- *Swing Time*, 4, 8, and 10 pm.
- *A Star is Born*, midnight.

Sunday, May 16

- Last day of finals.
- Chapel Service with Reverend Jeff Eaton, Chapel, 10:30 am (The last hope for finals?)
- Chess Club, Backus Room, BCC, 2 pm.
- Newman Mass, Father Aho, Chapel, 4:30 pm.
- *A Star is Born*, 9 pm.

Monday, May 17

- Bridge Club, Backus Room, BCC, 7 pm.
- Observatory Open House, 9 pm.
- All library books due. Fine for unreturned books: $2.00 per book. They'll bill you until you pay; it's easier to just return the books.

★ **SENIOR WEEK BEGINS (finally!)**

★ Concert featuring Moja Nya, reggae band. Library steps, 9 pm.

Tuesday, May 18

★ **SENIOR WEEK CONTINUES**

★ Senior Picnic, music by the Blackhorse String Band, open mike, beer truck. Bristol Terrace, 3-5 pm.

★ *A Day in the Life*, *Wag* Film. 8 and 10 pm.

Wednesday, May 19

★ **SENIOR WEEK CONTINUES**

★ Alumnite dinner with Mohawk Valley Hamilton Alumni Association. 6-9 pm.

★ Out of the Blue, McEwen Quad, 9 pm to 1 am.

Thursday, May 20

★ **SENIOR WEEK CONTINUES**

★ Columbian Open Golf Tournament sponsered by Nous Onze. Golf Course.

Friday, May 21

★ **SENIOR WEEK WINDS DOWN**

★ Carnegie Quad Party, Beer Truck. 12 am to 12 pm.

Saturday, May 22

- President's reception, Burke Library, 4-5 pm.
- Hamilton Dance Theater, Minor Theater, 8 pm.
- Music at Hamilton, Student Concert, Chapel, 9 pm.
- Commencement Ball, music by Van Sterling Band. Champagne and Cocktails, McEwen Quad, 9-1. Seniors only.

Sunday, May 23

- Phi Beta Kappa induction and breakfast for members of Phi Beta Kappa and their families, Bundy Dining Hall, 9 am.
- Newman Mass with Father Aho, Chapel, 9 am.
- Baccalaureate Service. The Reverend Jeffrey C. Eaton. Speaker: The Right Reverend John B. Coburn, Fieldhouse, 11 am.
- Academic Procession, Main Quadrangle, 2 pm.
- Commencement Ceremony, Burke Library Lawn (Fieldhouse if it rains), 2:15 pm.